

## Learn and Grow Locally!

### Natick Residents Invited to Participate in Gardening Lecture Series

Are you interested in growing a backyard garden or participating in Natick's Community Gardens Program? You are invited to participate in Natick's Community Gardens Lecture Series!

The 2022 Community Gardens Lecture Series is made possible by a \$2,500 community giving grant the Town of Natick received from Needham Bank. Hosted in collaboration with the Morse Institute Library and Bacon Free Library, two lectures are being held each month through September and are open to the public at no cost. The beginning of the lecture series coincided with the opening of the Bacon Library's new [Seed Sharing Library](#).

All presentations are related to gardening, with a specific focus on organic vegetable gardening for raised bed containers. Topics will include: "Tomato Growing", "Lifecycle of Seeds", "Soil Preparation", "Companion Planting and Design", "Organic Gardening", and more. Lectures are happening both virtually and in-person, and a schedule of events is included below. Speaker organizations include Massachusetts Master Gardeners, Backyard Growers, and the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Residents are invited to sign up for the programs they are interested in [here](#).

April 7, 6:30 PM	Companion Planting & Design (Virtual)
April 21, 6:30 PM	TBO (Try to Be Organic) Gardening (Virtual)
May 12, 6:30 PM	Growing and Donating Produce (Virtual)
May 26, 6:30 PM	Tomato Growing (Virtual)
June 2, 6:30 PM	MetroWest Community Gardens Conference (Virtual)
June 17 10:00 AM	Let's Get Growing with Tower Hill Botanical Garden (For children, in-person)
June 23, 6:30 PM	Composting and Our Community Gardens (Virtual)
July 20, 10:00 AM	Container Gardens (For children, in-person)
August 3, 6:30 PM	Seed Saving (Virtual)

For more information, to sign up for an event, or to participate in the seed sharing library, please visit the [Community Gardens](#) webpage or the [Morse Institute Library](#) and [Bacon Free Library](#) webpages.

Residents are also invited to register for a plot at one of Natick's four community gardens. To sign up for a plot at one of Natick's four Gardens, please visit [Community Pass](#), or contact [communitygardens@natickma.org](mailto:communitygardens@natickma.org).



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