

## Breakfast Gardening Series 2020

This series of three learning sessions is designed for anyone who is a gardener or just loves gardens. Each session features two current gardening topics and includes a delicious continental breakfast prepared by Ohio State University Extension Master Gardener Volunteers. Attend a session or two, or join us for the entire series at a special reduced cost.



### When: Tuesdays

March 10  
April 14  
May 12

### Where

Independence Library  
6361 Selig Drive  
Independence, Ohio 44131

### Agenda

Registration / breakfast 9:30 – 10 AM  
Program 10 AM – 12:15 PM

**Cost:** \$18 per session / \$48 for all 3 sessions - Registration deadline (first session) February 25, 2020  
(Master Gardener Volunteers: Bonus Bucks will not be accepted - 2 continuing education credits per session)

### March 10: Spice Up Your Life with Herbs and Deer Control and Deer Resistant Plants

**Hedy Westra**, Master Gardener Volunteer, Cuyahoga County

Herbs are a treat for the senses. We'll discuss the basics of herb gardening and branch out into some of the newer herb varieties. Then, prepare your palette for samples of lemon lavender shortbread, Thai basil pesto and cilantro watermelon salsa!

**Tom Dayton**, Owner, Dayton Nurseries, Norton, Ohio

As beautiful and graceful as they may be, deer have become a nuisance of many local gardens. Tom will discuss ways to identify deer damage as well as how to plan and protect your gardens from foraging deer. A list of deer favorites as well as deer resistant plants will be provided.

### April 14: Wildflowers - Where it all Began! and Growing Melons for the Very Taste of Summer

**Darci Sanders**, Master Gardener Volunteer, Cuyahoga County

Overlooked, underappreciated, and important for ecological balance in our natural habitats, most of our wildflowers are beautiful native treasures and naturalized parts of our greenscape. Enjoy a review of our untamed "Spring Beauties"!

**Mike Gastier**, Extension Educator, Agriculture and Natural Resources / County Director, Huron County

Raising melons in Ohio can be challenging, but it is *so* worth the effort. In our session we will talk about raising wonderful melons that may just turn you into a "melon snob."

### May 12: Miniature Vegetables for Your Garden and Container Figs and Figs in Gardens

**Jacqueline Kowalski**, Extension Educator, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Summit County

As interest in container and small space gardening has grown, so has interest in miniature vegetables. Learn about growing requirements, production practices, and variety selection (both new and heirloom) that will add appeal to your plate.

**Timothy J Malinich**, OSU Professor, retired

Once you've eaten a fresh fig from your own tree, you will go to great lengths to grow more. We'll look at the challenges and solutions to growing figs in Northern Ohio. Which figs you can grow and how to propagate these lush, subtropical plants will also be covered.

**Sold Out, Thank You**