

# GROW IT! GARDENING SERIES

## WINTER 2020

Presented By:



*JOIN RACHEL ZIESK, ADVANCED MASTER GARDENER, FOR A SERIES OF WORKSHOPS THAT WILL COVER EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO BE A SUCCESSFUL GARDENER COME SPRING 2020!*

Classes take place at Neighborhood Housing Services of New Haven, 333 Sherman Avenue, New Haven, CT 06511. For pricing and registration information, visit: [www.NHSWinterWorkshops2020.EventBrite.com](http://www.NHSWinterWorkshops2020.EventBrite.com) or call (203) 562-0598 x226

### *Soils & Composting -- Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>*

*10:00 am - 12:00 pm*

The most important component for a successful garden is soil health. Learn how to make and keep your soil healthy. Class also covers making your own compost, the best addition to your soil you can make.

### *Garden Planning & Season Extenders -- Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>*

*10:00 am - 12:00 pm*

By planning ahead, you can ensure a continued supply of organic vegetables and fruits all season long. Learn how to use season extenders – row covers, organic mulch, cold frames and more – to plant early and keep harvesting late, increasing the yield of what you plant.

### *Cool Weather Crops -- Saturday, February 22<sup>th</sup>*

*10:00 am - 12:00 pm*

Learn about starting your garden as soon as the soil thaws, even in the middle of March! Get a jump on the season; planting early means harvesting earlier. This class covers how and when to plant cool weather crops and managed their pests and diseases.

### *Warm Weather Crops -- Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm*

Everything you need to know about warm weather crops: how to make the best of our growing season, which crops are best started indoors, which can be directly seeding into the ground, what conditions and fertilizers each crop prefers, and how to organically fight the pests and diseases that harm them.

### *Seed Starting -- Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm*

Start your own seedlings! Learn about how and when to start seedlings indoors, watering, using lights, and dealing with common seed starting problems. The class also covers which crops can be planted directly outdoors, and when, including those that can be planted in fall for a crop next year. Everyone attending will plant a six-pack of seedlings to take home.

### *Weeds: the Good, the Bad, and the Tasty -- Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm*

There are so many weeds! Some are actually native wildflowers benefiting your vegetable garden by attracting native pollinators. Some are invasive horrors with plans to take over your garden. And some are edible, delicious little morsels that can be harvested and enjoyed.

