

Beginners Gardening Course

Hazel Proctor is an award-winning garden designer and lecturer who has worked in many prestigious gardens across Ireland. During the Beginners Gardening Course, you will gain a wide range of gardening skills such as how to propagate your own plants, the principles of pruning and how to choose the right plants for your garden. The course also includes lectures on the history of garden design and regular plant identification walks.

Throughout the year, we enjoy visits to horticultural gems such as the War Memorial Garden and The National Botanic Gardens. The course starts in October and runs one day a week, each Wednesday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., until May 2018.

How to apply

Please email Hazel at proctoh@tcd.ie to confirm your booking. Places are limited so early booking is advised.

Fee

The course costs €900 and a deposit of €200 must be paid by September 7th to secure your place. The remainder can be paid in two further instalments throughout the course of the year. Cheques should be made payable to Trinity College Dublin no. 1 account and sent to The Executive Officers, Discipline of Botany, Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, Dublin 2. Cash payments can be made in person during normal office hours to The Executive Officers at the above address.

Date and time

The course will start Wednesday, October 4th and will run until May 2018. Class will be held at the TCD Botanic Garden in Dartry, Dublin 6, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each week. We follow the academic year so there will be mid-term breaks and holidays during Christmas and Easter.

Weekend Gardening Course

This is a four-week introductory course which will run each Saturday, for the month of October. We will cover a range of topics such as how to divide your herbaceous perennials, how to test your garden soil, the principles of pruning and choosing the right plants for your garden. Class will be held from 10am to 3pm each week with tea and coffee included.

How to apply

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Fee

The course costs €200 which must be paid in full by September 7th to secure your place. Cheques should be made payable to Trinity College Dublin no. 1 account and sent to The Executive Officers, Discipline of Botany, Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, Dublin 2. Cash payments can be made in person during normal office hours to The Executive Officers at the above address.

Please Note: This course will be repeated in April 2018 with bookings open in January. Please contact Hazel for further information.

Evening Lecture Series – What do we owe the Plant Hunters?

Join Hazel in the historic Botany Lecture Theatre for a four-part lecture series where you will learn about the perilous treks undertaken by plant hunters of the Victorian era. These include Robert Fortune, who brought tea from China, Ernest Wilson who we can thank for the beautiful lilies we grow each summer, to our very own Augustine Henry who brought over 15,000 dried specimens from China to Kew Gardens.

How to apply

Please email Hazel at proctoh@tcd.ie to confirm your booking. Lectures will be held in the Botany Lecture Theatre each Thursday of November 2017, from 7pm to 8pm.

Fee

The course costs €40 which must be paid in full by October 6th to secure your place. Cheques should be made payable to Trinity College Dublin no. 1 account and sent to The Executive Officers, Discipline of Botany, Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, Dublin 2. Cash payments can be made in person during normal office hours to The Executive Officers at the above address.

Evening Lecture Series – A Garden of Four Seasons

Join Hazel for another four-part lecture series on choosing the right plants for your garden. Here, you will learn about how to ensure continued interest throughout the year and how to make the most of any space, big or small.

How to apply

Please email Hazel at proctoh@tcd.ie to confirm your booking. Lectures will be held in the Botany Lecture Theatre each Thursday of February 2018, from 7pm to 8pm.

Fee

The course costs €40 which must be paid in full by February 2nd to secure your place. Cheques should be made payable to Trinity College Dublin no. 1 account and sent to The Executive Officers, Discipline of Botany, Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, Dublin 2. Cash payments can be made in person during normal office hours to The Executive Officers at the above address.