Advance Landscape Series

The Advance Landscape Class Series is a new series of classes that the Central MO Master Gardeners and The Cole County Extension Center has not offered in the past. Tim Moloney, MU Landscape Instructor will be the presenter for the series.

Be among the first to sign up. Seating is limited and is only open to active master gardeners.

Call the office today or stop by. Payment must be made in advance and in the form of cash or check only.

10 classes in all, $20 each or $135 for the series. Only Active Master Gardeners are eligible.
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Class 1 & 2: The Principle of Landscape Design (a two-part class must be taken together)
April 17; 9 am—12 noon and 1-4 pm.
There are rules, we call principles, that need to be followed when designing any outdoor space. In this course we will take a fast paced and in depth look at each of the six principles of landscape design, and show you how to apply them to your outdoor rooms.

Class 3: Site Analysis (Step 1 toward quality design) May 8; 9 am - 12 noon.
Students will receive a detailed, step-by-step process to better initial site analysis. We will look closely at site issues such as drainage, slope, and exposure, and how these ultimately affect our designs. Students will need to be prepared to conduct a site analysis exercise where they will receive hands-on training in observing and recording site information. Students will need to bring a 100' measuring tape, directional compass, pad of paper, and a pen or pencil.

Class 4: Drawing to Scale: May 8; 1-4 pm
Students will receive the knowledge necessary to convert site analysis measurements and sketches into working scale drawings, and hands-on experience in drawing working landscape plans. Details will be given on landscape symbolism and how to effectively use a drawing to produce functional and aesthetic landscapes. Students should bring engineering or architects scale, ruler, pencil, eraser, lined paper for drawing, and a means to draw circles of different sizes (either templates or a drafting compass.)

Class 5: Low Maintenance Design
June 5; 9 am—12 noon
One of the most often requested requirements of the landscape design is that it be low maintenance. Leisure time is at a premium these days and we would rather spend time enjoying our landscapes than maintaining them. Students will be given instruction on methods that can be taken at the design stage to help reduce overall maintenance...without reducing aesthetics and function.

Class 6: Contemporary Landscape Design
June 5; 1-4 pm
As time moves forward, landscape designers have built upon the experience and designs styles of those who have come before us. We will take a detailed look at some of the more classic styles of landscape architecture; at how the older styles have influenced what we now call contemporary landscape design; and at the requirements for a good contemporary design and how to achieve these in a functionally aesthetic way.

Class 7: Patio Design and Installation
June 26; 9 am—12 noon
Blurring the lines between indoor and outdoor living is one of the key elements in contemporary landscape design. One of the ways in which we can accomplish this is by building outdoor rooms. This class takes a detailed look at specifically the floor of these rooms. We will exam design basics for size, shape and function. We will also look at materials and methods for solid patio construction.

Class 8: Retaining Wall Design and Installation June 26; 1-4 pm
A site is defined as a parcel of land suitable for development. With the aid of modern excavation practices and retaining walls construction, any parcel of land can be made suitable for development. With the materials available for use in retention today, we do not have to sacrifice aesthetics for engineering. We will take a close look at situations requiring retaining walls; methods of construction; materials available for construction; and pros and cons to building each type of retaining wall.

Class 9: Water Falls and Features
July 17; 9 am—12 noon
Our planet and our people are both approximately 70% water, a coincidence, I think not. People flock to our world’s beaches, lakes, and waterways. Water means life and people want to inject that life into their landscape. This class takes a close look at the benefits, and pitfalls, to having various types of water features in the garden.

Class 10: Landscape Lighting
July 17; 1-4 pm
Most of our adult lives are spent away from our homes. Why allow our landscape investment be enjoyed mostly by others as they pass by during the daylight hours? Adding landscape lighting can increase the time and change the way in which we view our landscapes. We will look closely at different types of lighting systems and how they can help us increase the amount of time we enjoy our landscape by lighting up the night.

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