

RICHMOND TREE STEWARDS 2017 CLASSES Tuesdays 6:30-8:30pm Byrd Park Round House

WK 1: Jan. 10

Intro to Tree Stewards, Louise Seals

How to navigate the course, earn certification, and collaborate with your mentor.

Gravel Bed Tree Nursery, Chuck Field

What it is and why we are spending so much time and money to create it.

WK 2: Jan. 17

Tree Selection, Janine Lester

The first step to happily ever after: Plant the right tree in the right place.

WK 3: Jan. 24

Tree Biology I, Peggy Singlemann

How trees grow and respond to their environment, life processes, why we need to know all this.

WK 4: Jan. 31

Tree Biology II, Peggy Singlemann

WK 5: Feb. 7

Common Tree Diseases and Insects, A.J. Elton

Some of the more common pests and diseases in Central Virginia.

Municipal Policy and Reporting Tree Issues, A.J. Elton

Managing the care of thousands of trees and working with the public.

WK 6: Feb. 14

Watershed Ecology, Bill Shanabruch

What makes a healthy stream, what screws one up and why trees matter.

Invasive Species, Suzette Lyon

The worst of the aggressive non-native species that threaten habitats in Richmond.

WK 7: Feb. 21

Pruning, Janine Lester

How you can help create stronger trees and pedestrian-friendly streets.

WK 7: Feb. 25 (Saturday morning)

Hands-On Pruning for Everyone

Try different tools as you decide why to prune and then make the cuts.

WK 8: Feb. 28

Planting, Dave Pohlmann

Forget everything you think you know about planting a tree. Research has debunked most of it.

WK 9: March 7

Tools and Safety, Janine Lester

Why "safety first" is more than a motto, and important practices.

2017 Class Review, Krissi Vandenberg

Did you get the key take-aways from each class and why we need to know them?

WK 10: March 14

Tree Identification, Suzette Lyon

Using the characteristics of bark, twigs, buds, leaves, flowers and seeds to identify trees