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Roseway Planting Feb. 14th Will Continue to Beautify Park Blocks

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Roseway Tree Planting November 2003

Click [here](#) to continue reading, see the planting plan and sign up to help plant trees.

12 Broadleaf Evergreen Street Trees You Should Plant

Why Do Evergreen Trees Matter?

In any city east of the Cascades as far as New England, winter can be depressing. Skeletal, bare-limbed, deciduous trees dominate northern cities, relieved only by a few hardy evergreen conifers. Given Portland's mild climate, our urban forest could look a lot greener even in winter than those dreary northern cityscapes. But it doesn't. Why is that?

The reason is a heavy reliance on deciduous trees that lose their leaves each fall and don't green up till spring warmth returns. Tree inventories done by Urban Forestry show that in built up parts of the city, 90% to 98% or more of the street trees are deciduous. This lifeless landscape makes winter more challenging – emotionally and environmentally – than it has to be.

A legacy of leafless winters

Planting deciduous trees is to be expected in places where polar vortexes can send temperatures plummeting well below zero. Many of our most common urban trees – elms, ashes, maples and crabapples to name a few - come from mid-latitude forests with



Quercus myrsinifolia



much colder weather than we get. Trees from those areas are well-suited to survive bitter winters and maximize their growth in warmer months, irrigated by frequent summer rains.

See all 12 broadleaf evergreen green street trees [here](#).



Quercus hypoleucoides

Fix-it Fair Volunteers & Presenters Needed 1/24 and 2/21

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Saturday January 24, 2015 Rosa Parks Elementary School 8960 N Woolsey Ave, Portland, OR 97203

Saturday February 21, 2015 David Douglas High School 1001 SE 135th Ave, Portland, OR 97233

New Tree Code in the News

Check out news coverage from [KATU](#) and [Portland Tribune](#), about Portland's new tree code. They both have information about new tree regulations and why they are important. More information about Portland's tree code is available at www.portlandoregon.gov/trees or the new phone number 503 823-TREE (8733). If you want to submit a tree permit in person, you need to go to Permit Center at 1900 SW 4th.



Portland Tribune

Stumptown no more

Created on Thursday, 01 January 2015 06:00 | Written by Steve Law | City code finally takes hold to help preserve big trees



Urban Forestry Calendar

Visit Portland Parks & Recreation [calendar](#) for all upcoming events.

Portland Urban Forestry Commission is Seeking New Commissioners

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Albina Neighborhood Tree Team pruning street trees for safety and structure.

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Sacramento Elementary School Learning Landscape

On February 27 Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry will plant 38 trees with students, parents and teachers from Sacramento School in northeast Portland. These trees from five continents will increase tree diversity on the school grounds and create an opportunity to learn about geography, science, arts and writing by studying these unique trees. For more information about the planting and a full planting plan click [here](#).

(above: Parkrose High School students planting trees at Sacramento school in Parkrose Heights with Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry in 2003.)

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27 Learning Landscapes are Mapped and Ready for you to Explore!

Learning Landscapes are a hands-on learning opportunity for youth of all ages!

A Learning Landscape is a neighborhood arboretum planted at a school by school children. The collection of trees is identified and mapped so students and neighbors can learn about them as they grow. Developing a school arboretum will give your students a hands-on learning opportunity that will stay with them for years. In addition to the environmental and aesthetic benefits of trees, students will have opportunities to learn about:

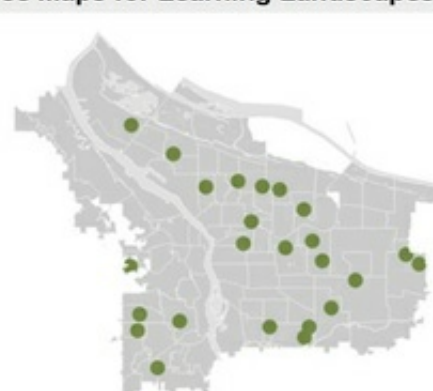
- tree biology
- tree identification
- environmental issues
- native trees
- geography
- watershed ecology

- climate change

Students will connect to their school by improving the school grounds. In addition to watering and pruning, students will also be able to participate in ongoing projects as volunteer scientists. For example, measuring individual trees can help illustrate different growth rates for different tree species and specimens. Students can also design maps and signs for the trees, helping the neighborhood learn more about the arboretum.

For more information about creating, visiting or designing a Learning Landscape click [here](#).

Tree Maps for Learning Landscapes



Click the map for links to all 27 Learning Landscapes



Street tree planting next to Jefferson HS

Join the Urban Forestry Team

Urban Forestry Seasonal Positions – Now Hiring Applications accepted until March 10, 2015 Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry is seeking seasonal staff to work with its science and policy group conducting tree inventory and monitoring activities.

Tree Inventory Coordinator (multiple positions)

- Conduct street tree inventory workshops with volunteers in Portland neighborhoods. This includes public speaking, training volunteers, organizing logistics, and checking data for accuracy.
- Collect street tree inventory data, including tree identification, measurement, and assessment using paper forms and mobile ArcGIS.
- Analyze data and write reports on inventory findings.

Elm Monitor (one position)

- Monitor Portland's 2,000+ elm population for symptoms of Dutch elm disease. Requires travel throughout the city, visual inspection for symptoms, and recording inspection results.
- Maintain inspection records, collect samples and send for lab analysis, and work with City inspectors and property owners during the removal of infected trees.
- Collect tree data, including identification, measurement, and assessment using mobile ArcGIS.

[Click here for more information.](#)



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Neighborhood Tree Stewardship Training Program Returns Oct. 17th!



Register by September 30th-space is limited!

The very popular Neighborhood Tree Stewardship Training Program returns this fall. Since 1997, over 140 community members received tools and resources to be active leaders and urban forest advocates in their neighborhoods.

The seven session course covers general tree care, tree biology, tree identification, urban forest management & policy, and opportunities for Tree Stewards to develop and implement tree plans, plantings and further activities in support of the urban forest. No previous experience is necessary to become a Tree Steward, but you do need a passion for trees and for helping your community.

The cost for the entire course is only \$26/\$36 (residents/non-residents). Classes occur evenings and weekends in October/November. For full details, click here: www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/nts

[Register Online](#) or call customer service at: 503.823.2525, reference course #1040256.



Join Oregon Forest Pest Detector Training Oct. 8th, 2015.

The Oregon Forest Pest Detector training program is designed to help with early identification of exotic forest pests in Oregon, including the **Emerald Ash Borer** (EAB) and **Asian Longhorned Beetle** (ALB). Oregon Forest Pest Detectors are the front line of defense against these potentially high-risk forest pest invasions.

We need people who are skilled in recognizing the signs and symptoms of EAB and ALB so that we can quickly respond before they become established in Oregon. The training will teach you how to identify these insects, their hosts, and their signs and symptoms; and what to do if you find an infested tree.

This free course is great for anyone who is involved with tree care in urban or natural areas. The training has two parts: a self-paced, online prerequisite course followed by a field workshop. The field session on October 8th is tailored for arborists and other tree care professionals.

Registration is limited, sign up now! For more information and to register:

<http://pestdetector.forestry.oregonstate.edu>



Asian longhorned beetle
Anoplophora glabripennis

Melody Keena, USDA Forest Service



Emerald Ash Borer
Agrilus planipennis

David Cappaert, Michigan State University

3 Tree Inventory work dates remain. Sign up now for Sept. 12th, 19th, & 26th.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to learn more about your neighborhood, your neighbors and the trees in our city!



Urban Forestry will provide the materials and will pair less experienced volunteers with seasoned field collectors. You will record the location, species and condition of trees in the following neighborhoods:

September 12th

Irvington
King/Sabin
Parkrose/Parkrose Heights

September 19th

Mt. Scott Arleta
Buckman

September 26th

Woodlawn



For more information and to register, visit us online: www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/treenventory

In Portland, street trees are managed in partnership between PP&R Urban Forestry and property owners. Urban Forestry regulates street tree removal, planting, and maintenance through a permitting process, and home owners are responsible for the care and maintenance of trees. A healthy urban forest depends on the active engagement of neighbors to care for street trees. Empowering neighborhood groups to care for their urban canopy is what the Tree Inventory Project is all about.

Introducing new Urban Forestry staff, Gina Dake and Nikhilesh Desai.



Gina Dake, Botanic Specialist I, Urban Forestry, Education and Outreach.

Gina began working with Urban Forestry in December of 2014 as a Tree Care Workshop Instructor. She also served as an arborist on-call for the current summer Street Tree Inventory. Some of her new duties will include the Learning Landscapes and neighborhood planting programs, Youth Conservation Crew sponsor, park replacement tree planting support and organizing the Local Tree Care Providers Workshop, with an emphasis on the new tree code.

Gina has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Environmental Studies/Politics from Whitman College. She has worked in GIS and as an Urban Forestry consultant for 15 years with various clients, including utilities, municipalities, and state and federal agencies. She is an International Society of

Arboriculture Certified Arborist, Certified Utility Specialist, and is Tree Risk Assessment Qualified.

Originally from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Gina has lived in Oregon since 2004 and is looking forward to working with the public on Portland's urban canopy.

Nikhilesh Desai, Botanic Specialist I, Urban Forestry, Education and Outreach.

Nik joins Urban Forestry as a Botanic Specialist I after working as a Neighborhood Coordinator with the Street Tree Inventory from April to August 2015. In his new role with Urban Forestry, he will work on Outreach and Education projects: coordinating the Tree Stewardship Training Program, Neighborhood Tree Plans, Arbor Day activities, Community Tree Care events, and leading AmeriCorps interns.

With an MS in Plant Biology and Conservation from Northwestern University and a BS in Psychology from Tufts University, Nik has previously studied mycorrhizal communities associated with *Quercus oleoides* (tropical live oak) in the Costa Rican dry tropical forest, deciphered fungal genetics in the educational labs of the Chicago Botanic Garden and Field Museum of Natural History, and cultivated mushrooms at The Plant (a zero waste, vertical farm in Chicago). Even further back in time, he worked for the Multnomah County Health Department (1999-2010) as a Research and Evaluation Analyst of longitudinal social studies, including an 8 year study of Portland neighborhoods. He is pleased to bring his collective experiences in forestry, ecology and education together towards improving the health of the urban ecosystem within the growing metropolis.



Join the Urban Forestry team! Part-time arborists needed to teach Pruning and Tree Care Workshops.

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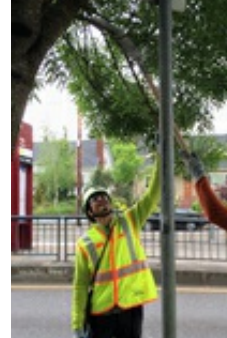
Job Class: Community Service Aide II

Pay rate \$15-\$22/hour DOE

Employment dates and hours: October - June. Part time and dependent upon scheduled volunteer events. Most events occur Saturdays and work from 7 am – 3 pm will be common.

The CS Aide II will help teach and lead volunteer work parties for community groups conducting street tree maintenance activities. This position requires a solid understanding of basic tree care and arboriculture principles, including how to properly plant and prune trees, as well as tree identification skills. The position will work directly with UF staff and AmeriCorps members to conduct stewardship events, including young tree structural pruning, tree planting, and other educational events. The ideal candidate has good public speaking skills, experience working with trees, understanding of Portland's tree codes, and a passion for working with communities and volunteers. Organization skills, ability to work independently, and flexibility are also desired. Valid driver's license with clean record required. Must be available for work on Saturdays when events are scheduled.

To apply: Send resume and cover letter to Angie DiSalvo angie.disalvo@portlandoregon.gov by **9-25-15**. For inquiries please email or call 503-823-4484.





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- [Call before you Cut](#), Portland Tree Permit Information, 503-823-TREE.
- [Neighborhood Tree Stewardship Training](#) begins Saturday, October 17th, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- [Tree Selection Workshop & Walking Tour](#), Saturday, October 24th, 1-3 p.m.
- [Tree Inventory Summit](#), Saturday, November 7th, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- [The Oregon Forest Pest Detector Training](#), Thursday, October 8th is full! Get on the waiting list for future courses.

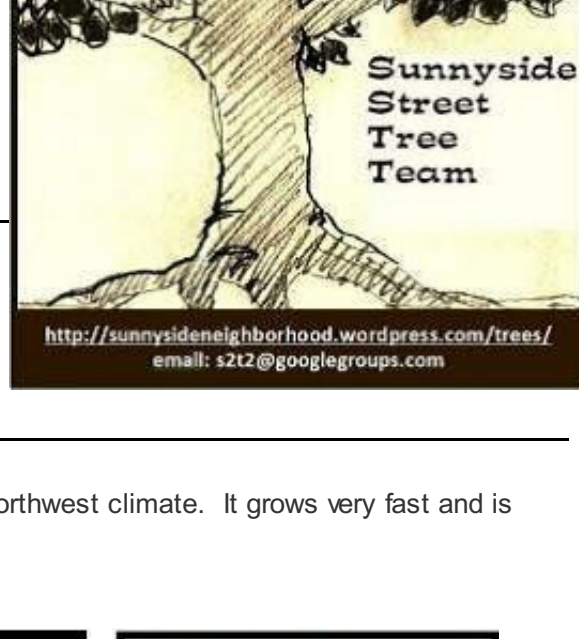
Sunnyside Invasive Species

Workshop:

Saturday, October 10th, 1-3:30 p.m.

Please join the Sunnyside Street Tree Team as they present a workshop on the invasive plants in Sunnyside and the surrounding neighborhoods.

The star of the show will be the infamous, [Ailanthus altissima](#), or Tree of Heaven.



Native to China, *Ailanthus* thrives in our mild Pacific Northwest climate. It grows very fast and is notoriously difficult to eradicate.



Participants will meet at the Belmont Regional Library for a presentation given by Portland Parks & Recreation, Urban Forestry staff. An optional guided tour highlighting invasive species in the surrounding community will follow. This fun and informative event is not to be missed!

Saturday, October 10th, 1-3:30 p.m.

Belmont Regional Library

1038 SE Cesar Chavez Blvd

Portland, OR 97214

503-988-5382



Thinking about removing or pruning a tree?

[Updated tree rules are in effect for properties across the city.](#)

STREET TREES - Tree removal, planting and most tree maintenance in a curb or planting strip requires a permit. Planting and pruning permits are free.

YARD TREES - Removal of trees 12" DBH or greater requires a permit. Zoning restrictions may exist for tree removal, depending on where you live.

REPLANTING - Planting new trees is often required when a tree is cut so that future generations can enjoy the benefits of our urban forest. A mitigation fee may be required if replanting is not feasible.

DEVELOPMENT - Tree rules and permitting requirements apply to both construction and non-construction situations.

PUBLIC SAFETY IS ALWAYS FIRST - Any tree that becomes dangerous will be permitted for removal. Call 503-823-TREE (8733) 24 hours a day if there's a street tree emergency in your neighborhood.

ENHANCING OUR URBAN FOREST - The City's trees and the urban forest are continually growing and changing. Portland's tree rules help improve the forest, maintain our heritage and increase the benefits trees provide all Portlanders. The rules also help parts of Portland with fewer trees. Fees collected will fund tree plantings in places where they are needed.

Additional tree resources

Visit: www.portlandoregon.gov/trees Email: trees@portlandoregon.gov

- Request a free street tree health inspection
- Check the status of a permit
- Find approved street tree planting lists and identify nuisance trees
- Find local tree care providers
- Learn about building and development permits
- Learn more about trees and get involved with the City's tree partners



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Photo Courtesy of Bob Langan

Don't miss out!

Neighborhood Tree Stewardship Training Program

Begins Saturday, October 17th.

Maybe you're wondering, what is the Neighborhood Tree Stewardship Training Program?

To put it simply, it's YOUR opportunity to learn more about trees and urban ecology from experts in their fields.

Experts from the USDA Forest Service, Treecology, Urban Forestry, Friends of Trees, the Portland Fruit Tree Project and many others will be on hand to share their knowledge and experience with you.

The cost is minimal, \$26.00 for residents, with scholarships available if cost is a barrier to participation.

The [entire course](#) will take place in the months of October and November 2015, meeting a total of 7 times, on pre-scheduled evenings and weekends.

- **Day 1 - Tree Steward Introduction** [Saturday, October 17, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm](#)
- **Day 2 - The Benefits of the Urban Forest** [Thursday, October 22, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm](#)
- **Day 3 - Urban Tree Care & Maintenance** [Saturday, October 31, 9:00 am - Noon](#)
- **Day 4 - Community Partners and Project Planning** [Thursday, November 5, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm](#)
- **Day 5 - Right Tree, Right Place** [Saturday, November 14, 9:00 am - Noon](#)
- **Day 6 - Heritage Trees & the History of the Urban Forest** [Thursday, November 19, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm](#)
- **Day 7 - Tree Planting and Graduation Party** [Saturday, November 21, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm](#)

Does all of this sound great, but you still have questions? Visit our website to [learn more](#), or to [register](#).



Tree Selection Workshop &

Walking Tour:

Learn about diverse planting options for street trees.

Wondering what tree to plant? Learn about interesting and beneficial trees to plant with the Laurelhurst Tree Team. Urban Forestry tree expert, Jim Gersbach, will cover the benefits and characteristics of high performing, diverse street trees.

Food for wildlife and pollinators, shade, fall color, and form will be discussed. After the presentation we will conduct an optional 90 minute tree walk to find examples of the best trees for planting in our urban spaces.

The presentation will focus on trees appropriate for 4 foot and wider planting sites and species available for purchase from Friends of Trees. For more information, [click here](#), or [RSVP here](#).

Saturday, October 24th, 1-3 p.m.

Hollywood Public Library, Community Room

4040 NE Tillamook St.

Portland, OR 97212

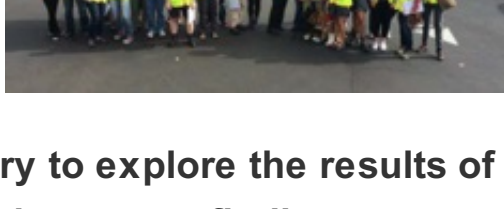
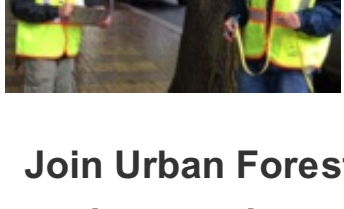
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Tree Inventory Summit

Saturday, November 7, 2015 • 9 am – 4 pm

Mt. Scott Community Center • 5530 SE 72nd Ave.



Join Urban Forestry to explore the results of the 2015 street tree inventories and compare findings among neighborhoods.

We will share the largest trees that were measured, and the most unusual finds! Most importantly, we'll begin creating neighborhood tree plans that can be used to take action and improve the urban forest.

Register online by October 31st at: <http://portlandoregon.gov/parks/treeinventory>.



The Oregon Forest Pest Detector Training,

scheduled for October 8th, reached maximum capacity, and registration was closed soon after it was advertised!

Thank you to everyone for your interest and participation. If you'd like to [sign up for future offerings](#), or learn more about the program, please visit the [OSU pest detector website](#).

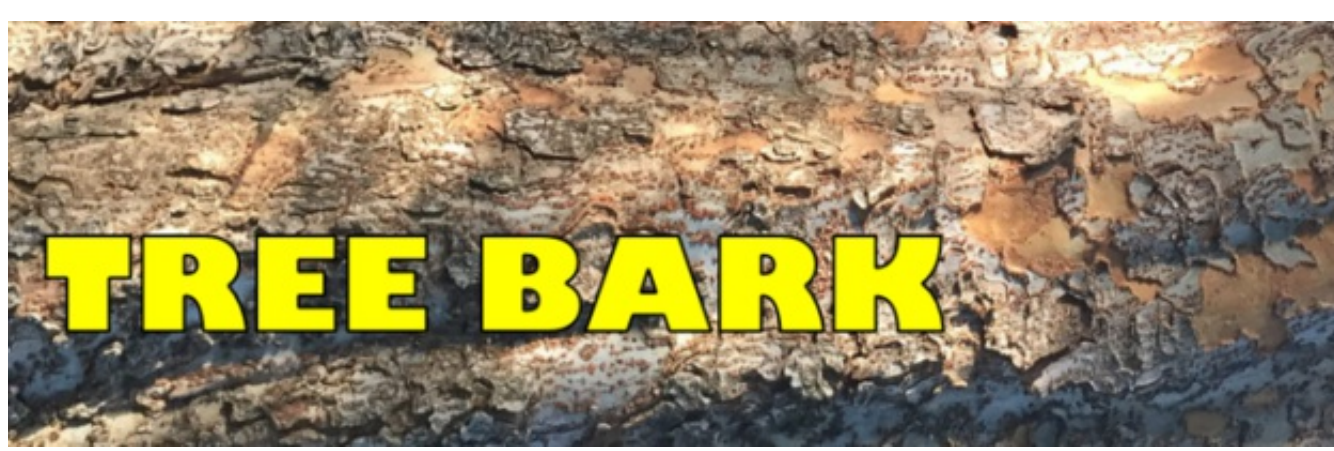
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- [Another Successful Street Tree Inventory Summit](#)

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Tree Care at Cully-Concordia International Grove

Come join the Cully and Concordia Tree Teams, Portland Parks & Recreation, and the Bureau of Environmental Services at the Cully-Concordia International Grove.

Located at the entrance to Cully and Concordia neighborhoods, this planting welcomes people coming and going from NE Lombard. The trees that have been planted are from all over the world, just like the people that make up these two communities. Some of these trees are rare and unusual for Portland, but our native species are also represented.



Friday, December 4th, 2015

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Cully-Concordia International Grove

NE 42nd Ave & NE Lombard St

4039 NE Alberta Ct.

Portland, OR 97211

It is time to provide a bit of care for this area, and for these trees. The trees need to be pruned, and mulched to continue their healthy growth. As is often the case, there are some invasive plants to remove on the site as well. We will also be planting a few new trees!

All are welcome to participate and help maintain and improve this great community resource.

Register at: <http://tinyurl.com/internationaltreecare>

Contact: Patrick Key, Portland Parks & Recreation, Urban Forestry

Patrick.Key@portlandoregon.gov 971-334-0347



Sullivan's Gulch: Winter Tree Walk & Talk

Join the Sullivan's Gulch Tree Committee Presentation and Winter Walk!

Saturday, December 5th, 2015

9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Holladay Park Plaza Club Room

1300 NE 16th Ave

Portland, OR 97232

- Learn about evergreen trees!
- Meet your neighbors!
- Identify evergreen broadleaf trees and conifers
- Learn about good species for street tree planting
- Learn about issues and threats facing neighborhood trees
- Have fun, meet fellow tree enthusiasts, and make a difference in your urban forest!

Agenda

8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.: Register

9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.: Presentation by Jim Gersbach

10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.: Tree Walk through the Neighborhood

Coffee and light snacks provided

Registration: at the Door

or Online at: <http://tinyurl.com/sullysgulchwintertrees>

Contact: Matthew Downs at Portland Park & Recreation, Urban Forestry

matthew.downs@portlandoregon.gov 503-334-0348

Cully & Concordia Neighborhood Tree Care



Cully and Concordia Tree Teams are working with Portland Parks & Recreation to prune young trees. We will meet at Alliance High School at Meek for a pruning demonstration with snacks and coffee. After the demo, we will head out in small groups to prune young street trees. Young tree pruning is very important to the long term health of a tree. We can prevent and remedy many issues that would cause major problems as the tree grows.

Saturday, December 12th, 2015

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Alliance High School at Meek ProTech

4039 NE Alberta Ct

Portland, OR 97211

Join us if you would like to learn about tree pruning and general tree care!

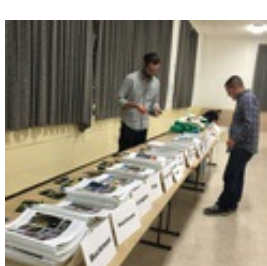
Register at: <http://tinyurl.com/cullyconcordiaprune>

Contact: Patrick Key, Portland Parks and Recreation, Urban Forestry,

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Another Successful Street Tree Inventory Summit!

Urban Forestry's Tree Summit, the grand finale for the Street Tree Inventory Project, was held on Saturday, November 7th. Representatives from 34 neighborhoods and tree teams were in attendance! Presentations were given on the Street Tree Inventory results for 15 out of 19 neighborhoods completed in 2015. Five additional short presentations were also given on various topics from tree diversity, tree care, and historical interpretation of neighborhoods through trees.



Participants worked together to form their neighborhood tree teams and draft neighborhood specific tree plans during the afternoon portion of the Summit. This will result in each neighborhood partnering with Urban Forestry to offer two workshops this upcoming winter season on tree care, education, or special projects for their own neighborhoods. The hard work of completing the inventory and obtaining results now transforms into action for enhancing the street tree canopy, neighborhood by neighborhood!



In 2016 we will finish Portland's first complete Street Tree Inventory. If your neighborhood has not yet participated in the project, apply by January 15th. More details are available at:

<http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/433150>

The project website is a great resource for more details. Summit presentations and project data links are below.

- Presentations are posted at the bottom of the Summit page:
<http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/501565>
- Data is available in ArcGIS and excel: <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/433143>
- Event photos can be viewed here:
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/urbanforestry/albums/7215766064389110>

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The Magic of Wintertime

at Pittock Mansion

Free admission on 12/26/15 for Parks

employees and friends!

The annual free open house at the Pittock Mansion

is on **Saturday, December 26th**, from **6pm-8pm**.

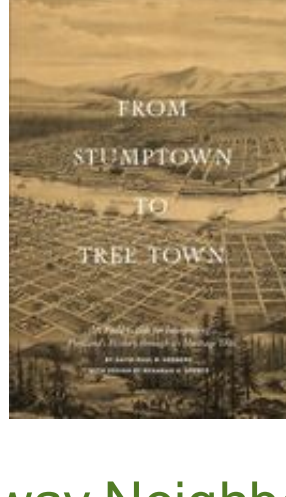
Anyone associated with Parks – employees, family, volunteers & friends are invited to see the annual holiday exhibit. We won't have hot cocoa, but we will have our traditional cider and cookies. Come one, come all!



Celebrate the wonders of the holiday season at *The Magic of Wintertime*, Pittock Mansion's annual holiday exhibit running November 23rd-January 2nd. This year more than 80 volunteers will transform the museum into a winter wonderland with decorations inspired by skiing and sledding in new-fallen snow, curling up in front of a fireplace with hot cocoa, and celebrating the holidays with family, friends and community. Local musicians will play regularly in the mansion's Music Room during the exhibit.



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Tree History in the Roseway Neighborhood

Learn more about the history of trees in Roseway!

Saturday, January 9th, 2016

12:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Grace Lutheran Church

7610 NE Fremont St., Portland, OR 97213

Dave Hedberg, author of *From Stumptown To Tree Town*, will be working with the Roseway Tree Team to learn about the trees in our community and how past development shaped the surrounding urban forest. Understanding and valuing trees from an historical perspective makes us better equipped to make future decisions, and avoid unexpected consequences inherited from our past.

Agenda:

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm: Registration, snacks and refreshments

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm: Presentation by Dave Hedberg

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm: Q & A and discussion with longtime Roseway residents

Registration:

<http://tinyurl.com/treehistoryroseway>

Questions?

Contact Patrick Key at Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry

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St. Johns Young Tree Pruning

Help prune young street trees for a stronger, healthier urban forest!

Saturday, January 16th, 2016

8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Location To Be Determined

Join the St. Johns Tree Team for the day!

- Learn pruning basics from an ISA Certified Arborist
- Prune street trees in groups of 4-5 people with an arborist
- Have fun, meet fellow tree enthusiasts, and make a difference in your urban forest!

Agenda:

8:30 am - 9:00 am: Register

9:00 am - 9:45 am: Pruning demonstration

10:00 am - Noon: Street tree pruning

Registration:

<http://tinyurl.com/stjohnsprune>

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2015 Neighborhood Tree Steward Graduation

The 2015 Neighborhood Tree Steward training program ended with a tree planting and graduation party on November 21st. Over the course of seven sessions, 20 community members from 18 different neighborhoods, participated in classes preparing them to be advocates for trees in their neighborhoods!

Classes covered topics in: tree biology; tree ID; tree care, pruning and maintenance; the economic, ecological and public health benefits of the urban forest; common pests and pathogens of urban trees;

the history of Portland's urban forest; the City Tree Code and regulations; and an introduction to community partners and opportunities for volunteerism.

On the final day, the class learned the essentials of proper tree planting and establishment by planting six trees- three different varieties of *Lagerstroemia indica*, crepe myrtle, at Lynch Wood Elementary School on SE 174th Ave. This event launched the tree planting season in Portland, which extends until April, weather dependent. Additionally, this planting was the beginning of our fall Learning Landscapes program.

To learn more about upcoming Neighborhood Tree Steward classes and events, check out our website at: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/nts> or contact: Nik.Desai@portlandoregon.gov.

To learn how you can help with the Learning Landscapes program, working with students to plant trees at local schools, check out: <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/66720> or contact:

Gina.Dake@portlandoregon.gov.



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