

# News Release

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## **Uncovering the Secrets of a Four-Season Garden**

The secrets of designing a four-season garden will be featured at “Arboretum in Bloom,” at 10 a.m. August 9 at South Seattle Community College (SSCC). The public is invited to the annual summer “open house” at the college arboretum.

Cindy Combs, this year’s featured speaker, will show participants how to design a four-season garden that combines plantings, hardscapes and accents with each season in mind. This presentation will be light on botanical references but rich with visual inspiration and a logical approach to garden making.

Combs has presented seminars at the Northwest Flower and Garden Show and the San Francisco Garden Show. She also operated a business called "Gardening Getaways," which offered participants weekends at a bed & breakfast to learn how to design and install exquisite gardens.

A tour of the SSCC Arboretum led by Van Bobbitt, horticulture instructor and arboretum coordinator, will follow the presentation. This 6-acre arboretum is noted for its extensive rose garden and one of the best collections of dwarf conifers in the country.

The SSCC Garden Center will be open as well from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., offering a wide variety of landscape plants, houseplants and garden accessories for purchase.

When: Saturday, August 9 10:00 a.m. (presentation)  
11:15 a.m. (tour of arboretum)  
Complimentary Admission

Where: Landscape Horticulture Complex, Room #2  
South Seattle Community College  
6000 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, S.W., Seattle, WA 98106-1499.

The SSCC Arboretum is open to the public daily during daylight hours. There is no admission fee. A virtual tour can be found at <http://dept.seattlecolleges.com/arboretum>.

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