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Thinking about gardening? Winter harvest starts now!

Got a green thumb itching to sow seeds for a vegetable garden? Plan now for your winter harvest.

*“With spring come sprouts, and if you’d like great tips on what to grow when, or even try winter gardening, take in the workshop *Next Winter’s Harvest Starts Now*,”* says City of Campbell River recreation programmer Judy Ridgway.

Workshop instructor Dr. Linda Gilkeson is a master gardener residing on Salt Spring Island. She has worked for the Province of B.C. promoting programs to reduce and eliminate pesticide use, and was the executive director of the Salt Spring Island Conservancy for many years. Gilkeson has also published several manuals and books on pest management and organic gardening and several other books including, *The Complete Guide to Year-round Organic Gardening in the Pacific Northwest*, which has become a B.C. best seller.

“More than 30 different varieties of vegetables do very well in Campbell River’s climate over the winter months,” adds Ridgway. *“Linda will share what to grow, when and where to plant and simple methods for protecting crops and how to fit winter crops in with summer plantings to make the most of your garden space.”*

Next Winter’s Harvest Starts Now runs from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, June 6 at the Community Centre. Cost is \$25 (\$20 for 50+members).

To register or for more information on this or other programs please call the Community Centre, 250-286-1161 or the Sportsplex, 250-923-7911.

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