

PlantAmnesty's Renovation Workshop

The Renovation Workshop is a hands-on all-day event that features a 3:1 student-teacher ratio and real-world experience. **Pruning** and creative solutions to the overgrown garden will be taught as an entire yard is renovated during the class. **Cass Turnbull** gives a slide-show lecture followed by hands-on experience in the yard. Professional gardeners and arborists assist Cass in teaching the hands-on portion of the workshop. Homeowners and professional gardeners attend the workshop. It is held on a Saturday two or three times per year in the fall, spring or summer.

Spring Renovation Workshop is Saturday, March 28th, 2009, 10 am - 3 pm
Summer Renovation Workshop is Saturday, July 25th, 2009, 10 am - 3 pm

Site requirements

- Located in King County.
- Large enough so that it is maneuverable by a group of about 30 people.
- A diversity of large shrubs and trees that are at least 15 years old.
- Nearby parking for possibly as many as 20-30 vehicles.
- Indoor space for the lecture and lunch that will hold 20-30 people. (A large, neat garage is okay.)
- Site prepared in advance – move breakable landscape ornaments, clean up toys and dog pooh, so that workers can move around easily.
- Is there a place to dispose of yard waste?
- A bathroom for use by muddy workers. (We have rugs to protect your floors.)
- Owner must be present during the workshop.
- A donation of \$700-\$1000 to PlantAmnesty.

Benefits to the site owner

- A pre-workshop consultation with Cass Turnbull, and the benefit of several professionals' insights into possible solutions to your yard problems.
- Pruning and renovation work done by about 10 landscape professionals and 20 students.
- Large tree pruning by a certified arborist.
- Value of work is 2-3 times the amount of donation.
- Lots of wood chips! Other debris stacked neatly.
- 50-80% of all potential work discussed with the owner will be completed in one day.
- Opportunity to attend the workshop and receive all workshop materials (a pruning DVD and handouts on pruning topics).
- A beautiful yard at the end of the workshop!

Benefits to PlantAmnesty

- Helps to fulfill PlantAmnesty's goals: to encourage proper pruning techniques and to educate the public.
- The fees paid by students and the site owner's donation go to PlantAmnesty. The instructors (PlantAmnesty tested and approved professional gardeners), the arborists, and other workshop helpers volunteer their time to put on this workshop.

If you are interested in having a workshop held at your residence, contact PlantAmnesty at 206.783.9813 or info@plantamnesty.org.