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## Vegetable gardening in small spaces: Local Master Gardener tells how

A pot on the back porch, a hanging basket, or an eight to ten square foot patch of ground—that's all the space you need to grow some fresh vegetables. Find out how with Tom Neitzel, a Master Gardener with the Washington State University (WSU) Thurston County Extension Service, on Saturday, March 6 at 1:30 p.m. at the Tumwater Timberland Library.

Neitzel will provide an overview of how to grow fresh tomatoes, beans, greens and herbs in small spaces. He will also cover the following topics:

- Our unique maritime climate and the challenges it presents
- Produce that does well in small areas
- What to think about when selecting varieties to grow
- Soil preparation
- Care throughout the growing season and harvest



Neitzel was born and raised in Tacoma and has lived in Thurston County since 1994. He and his wife have grown award-winning fruit and vegetables for many years. They also enjoy low maintenance garden design and working to have interesting colors and textures in the garden year round.

The Tumwater library is at 7023 New Market St., 98501. For more information, call (360) 943-7790 or go to [www.TRL.org](http://www.TRL.org).

For more on the WSU Master Gardener program, go to <http://thurston.wsu.edu/MasterGardener>.

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