



Chicago Center FOR Green Technology

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Programming Schedule - July & August 2004

Chicago Green Tech is the first renovated building in the nation to receive the coveted LEED™ Platinum rating from the US Green Building Council. The Chicago Department of Environment is pleased to present these FREE workshops, seminars and events at Chicago Green Tech. Pre-registration is required for all workshops and seminars; please call our hotline at (312) 746-9642 or e-mail us at greentech@cityofchicago.org.

Friday, July 2, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm: LEED Green Building Rating System

Sponsored by the Chicago Chapter of the US Green Building Council, this workshop reviews the LEED NC Version 2.0 and the LEED 2.0 Reference Guide for those who are preparing to take the LEED Accredited Professional Exam. To register, contact John Albrecht at albrecht98@aol.com.

Saturday, July 10, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm: Rain Gardens at Home

Sue Cubberly, of the Rain Garden Network, will talk about the many benefits of rain gardens and how you can plant your own in your existing landscape. This seminar will address the ups and downs of rainwater management, benefits of keeping rain water in your landscape and out of the sewer and demonstrate how rain gardens are economical, simple to create and environmentally conscious.

Tuesday, July 13, 6:00 - 8:00 pm: Discussion Series with Local Government Leaders

Cook County Commissioner Mike Quigley will be the featured guest in this first installment of a new program series sponsored by the Chicago Chapter of the US Green Building Council. The discussion will focus on ways that county government can play a role in inspiring and supporting business, residents and other government agencies to be progressive in their green projects.

Saturday, July 17, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm: Straw Bale Construction

Ever dreamed about a building material that can be free, has a high insulating value, and is fun to build with? Who knew that these friendly bales of straw we used for seating at pumpkin patches could also turn building a home into a fun get-together for the whole family. Come find out what methods of straw bale building have been used around the world and how you can use them in your new dream home.

Tuesday, July 20, 6:00 - 8:00 pm: Garden Design Fundamentals - Basemap and Theory

Design your own landscape! Learn how to create a basemap of the land and its existing features, assess the soil and existing plants, then apply design fundamentals through plants, their colors, textures and other unique characteristics to develop your garden needs and uses. Instructor Patricia Lee has over 10 years experience designing and maintaining residential, commercial and community gardens in the Chicagoland area.

Saturday, July 24, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm: Worm Bin Construction

Composting is not just for people with backyards! Apartment/condo dwellers, office workers and classroom teachers all can take advantage of worm bin composting. There is a \$5 fee for this workshop which will provide all participants with their own worm bin to take home!

Friday, August 6, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm: LEED Green Building Rating System

Repeat of the same seminar given on July 2.

Saturday, August 7, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm: Choosing the Right Green Building Materials

This seminar will feature a discussion on the benefits and “how-tos” of green interiors and provide an overview of the LEED-CI standards. Beneficial for all, even renters and renovators, this seminar will provide a thorough summary for anyone interested in environmentally sound interiors.

Saturday, August 14, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm: The Sullivan Residence - a Green Building Case Study

George and Susan Sullivan, residents of Chicago's far north side and green general contractors, renovated their 4-flat home using the latest in green building technology. George will talk about his holistic approach to green renovations from project planning, energy efficient strategies, building selection, material selection, construction recycling, reducing the building footprint on the urban environment, and other lessons learned from this project.

Chicago Green Tech is open for guided or self-guided TOURS seven days a week (see hours below). Guided tours must be scheduled in advance. Please call the hotline for more information.

If you are interested in presenting a seminar at Chicago Green Tech, please submit a proposal to us via e-mail at greentech@cityofchicago.org.



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Commissioner
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Chicago Green Tech Building Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00 am – 8:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Sunday: 1:00 – 5:00 pm