

Arbor Day



Olympia Loves Trees

Trees and forests are part of the fabric and identity of our community. In fact, Olympia has been a [Tree City USA](#) for 27 years!

Each year, the City and its partners host a variety of Arbor Day events to celebrate our community trees, honor all of the great work that has been done to maintain them, and join with citizens to plant new trees for future generations.

2020 Arbor Day Events

Olympia's Arbor Day festivities will take place **Saturday, March 14**, from **10 a.m. - 2 p.m.** at Percival Landing (217 Thurston Ave NW). Meet at the shelter over the water for all events.

All Day Activities

- Free Western Washington native tree, shrub and wildflower seed giveaway (Trees and shrub species include red cedar, Pacific crabapple, Cascara, serviceberry, Oregon grape, Pacific ninebark, mock orange, oceanspray and blue elderberry - while supplies last)
- Wildflower seed species include yarrow, lupine and pearly everlasting
- Ask an arborist – City arborists will be available to answer your tree related questions
- Kid's art activities
- Self-guided tour of shoreline native plants
- Tabling by local organizations

Forest Ecology Talk: 10 a.m.

Evergreen Professor Dylan Fischer talks about our local tree and forest species, natural history, and what makes our local area and region a unique place to study trees and forests.

Live Music: 11:15 a.m.

Enjoy an hour of music by local favorites the Artesian Rumble Arkestra.

Arbor Day Celebration & Awards: 12:15 p.m.

Join us for our annual celebration of Arbor Day. This year we will feature the Mayor's proclamation, presentation of the Jay Butts Friends of Trees Award, and light refreshments will be provided.

Ceremonial Tree Planting: 1 p.m.

A new shade tree will be planted near the playground area at the park.

Proper Pruning Workshop: 1:15 p.m.

Learn about proper pruning techniques to improve plant health with skilled professionals. Hands on demonstrations held nearby in the park.

Questions?

Contact Jesse Barham, Habitat Planner, at 360.753.8164 or jbarham@ci.olympia.wa.us

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