



Lael's Moon Garden Plant Your Own Eden™

Spring Forth!

What a busy spring. Thanks to all of you who visited with us at the nursery or the many (perhaps too many) garden shows and plant sales this spring. It is so nice to see everyone after a long lonely winter.



The display garden is in its full spring glory. Even the Empress tree, for which the garden is named, bloomed this year. But then so did the weeds. Oh well, fertile soil means everything grows. We are busy pulling weeds and adding more mulch and more plants. A dear friend once told us, "If you have weeds, you haven't planted thickly enough." Even stream and Labrador violets have their virtues; they are certainly prettier than shot weed.

Other ideas for groundcovers are sedums, pachysandra, kinnikinnick, ornamental strawberries, hostas, ferns, beesia, primroses, hardy impatiens and the ever favorite easy care rocks and driftwood.



Our garden is filled with rocks from all over the world. Wherever we travel, we pick up rocks some large, some small and place them in the garden. They add color, character and cover the soil. Sedums and other small plants can be nestled in the crannies between the rocks. Have a space where nothing you've tried grows well? Try rocks or plantings in containers.

For more on planting and growing in the Pacific Northwest see the garden tips section on our website:
<http://laelsmoongarden.com/gardentips.html>



Garden Shows and Plant Sales



June 2, 2012 - Plant Fair @ Glenwood Gardens - 10AM to 4PM, Saturday only

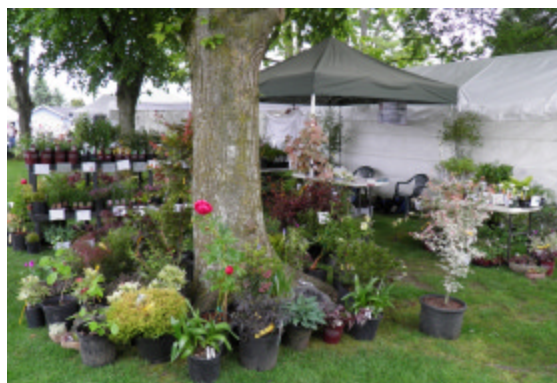
15155 Glenwood Road S.W., Port Orchard, WA 98367, 360-876-2449

A plant celebration for gardeners and plant collectors. Find unique and exceptional additions to your garden with rare and hard to find varieties of shrubs, trees and perennials. Specialty plant vendors and local artists bring their best to enhance your gardens. **Free** admission, **Free** parking

Participating vendors:

- Lael's Moon Garden Nursery - <http://laelsmoongarden.com/>
- Bay Botanicals, Bainbridge Island WA
- BD Lilies - <http://www.bdlilies.com/>
- Bloomquist Nursery, Bremerton WA
- Blue Frog Nursery - <http://www.bluefrog-nursery.net/>
- Fairmeadow Nursery - <http://www.fairmeadownursery.com/>
- Foreman's Forest Works (Driftwood Creations)
- Leaf Art Plus
- Magellanica Gardens
- Master Gardeners of Kitsap County - <http://www.kitsapgardens.org/>
- Randy's Nursery
- Steamboat Island Nursery - <http://www.steamboat-island-nursery.com/>
- Woodland Gardens

See link for directions: <http://www.glenwood-gardens.com/events.html>



June 8-9-10, 2012 - Sorticulture, Everett

Legion Memorial Park, 145 Alverson Blvd, Everett, WA 98201

Friday 10 AM to 8 PM. Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM and Sunday 10 AM to 4 PM

Unites art and the garden in a celebration of creative outdoor living. Nurseries, artists, food, display gardens and speakers. **Free** admission

<http://www.everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=1228>





June 16, 2012 – Secret Gardens of Lake Forest Park 10th Annual plant sale

Lake Forest Park Town Center, located at the intersection of Bothell Way NE (SR 522) and Ballinger Way NE (SR 104)

Saturday 9 AM to 4 PM, Free admission

Featuring: Ciscoe Morris broadcasting live on 97.3 KIRO FM radio, from 10 AM to 12 PM.

Specialty vendors offering plants and garden merchandise

<http://secretgardensoflakeforestpark.com/>

A list of the garden shows and plant sales that we participate in is on our website at:

<http://laelsmoongarden.com/gardenshows.html>

Things to Do in the Garden- May and June

- It's time to plant vegetables, tomatoes, peppers, basil other herbs and warm season crops.
- Prune lilacs, rhododendrons, azaleas, pieris right after bloom.
- Fertilize plantings as needed.
- Catch up on weeding and apply compost as needed to nourish the soil.
- Divide spring blooming primroses. For tips you can watch a video from our friends at NPA <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YV32v550BSg>
- Clean the birdbaths and refill with fresh water on a regular basis.
- Hummingbirds babies will be here soon, Clean and refill feeders with a mixture of 1 part sugar to 4 parts water.
- Prepare and prime irrigation systems. When the rains taper off, give gardens an inch of water a week.



- Need help or advice? Bring in pictures of your garden to the nursery and we'll give you some tips. We can also show you plants with year-round interest to make your garden pop with color, even on a grey day.

For more details on suggested garden tasks (like you really want to know more things to do?) Go to:

<http://gardening.wsu.edu/text/calen.htm>

Or <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/gardening/calendar>



Plants Keep Arriving

Hardy fuchsias, dove trees, lilacs, daphnes, azaleas, azaras, beauty berry, kalmia and so many more lovely plants are at the nursery. You can click on this link to see a listing of the new plants at the nursery.

<http://laelsmoongarden.com/inventory/newarrivals.html>

If we don't have your plant in stock, we will try to locate outdoor hardy plants for you. Just let us know what it is, how many you want, preferred size and the best way to contact you (phone or email). We'll check our many sources and let you know what's available and pricing. You can drop us an email at laelsmoongarden@hotmail.com or leave us a phone message at 360.273.9567. The botanical names are most helpful as common names can be confusing.

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Over 1,000 varieties of large and small ornamental trees, shrubs, edibles and selected perennials.

Located near the corner of St Hwy 12 and Moon Rd, 6.5 miles west of I-5, exit 88.

Delivery of larger items can be arranged for a nominal fee. Sample delivery fees are:

- \$10 to Tenino or Littlerock
- \$20 to Olympia, Lacey, Tumwater, Elma or Centralia.

See web site for more details, nursery pictures, hours, directions and more.

<http://laelsmoongarden.com/>

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