

# Creative Alternatives to Lawns

Earth Day workshop at Mitchell Library

**Monday April 25th at 6:30 pm**  
Mitchell Library 37 Harrison Street New Haven



**Learn ways to incorporate vegetables into your landscape, and ideas for low maintenance groundcover. This free workshop will be lead by Westville residents Janis Underwood and Trish Helm.**

Trish Helm has no front lawn or back lawn - just trees, shrubs and gardens. After perennial gardening for 20 years, she became a certified Master Gardener at UCONN in 2010. She is a member of the Garden Club of New Haven, and New Haven Land Trust Community Garden Committee, as well as community gardens in New Haven.

Janis Underwood, a native of Maine, has been gardening all her life. After teaching Family & Consumer Science to high school students for 35 years, she pursued a UConn Master Gardener certification in 2014 and Advanced Master Gardener certification in 2015. Her passion is growing and donating organic produce to a food pantry and teaching others to grow food as part of a ministry at her church. A district garden coordinator in the Hill neighborhood with the New Haven Land Trust, she enjoys the privilege of learning to garden with people with different cultural backgrounds.

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