



EARTHWAYS CENTER

a division of the  MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

We promote sustainability through environmental education and improving the built environment.

Welcome to the E-Newsletter of the EarthWays Center! We provide environmental education and information on energy & resource efficiency to achieve educational, environmental & economic benefits.

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5th Annual EarthWays Energy & Recycling Festival - **FREE ADMISSION!**

Saturday & Sunday • September 16 & 17 • 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **PLENTY OF FREE PARKING!**



CHARGE UP YOUR FAMILY'S GREEN POWER!

Displays / Demonstrations / Expert Speakers / Projects Just for Kids!

CHANGE-A-LIGHT BULB SALE: Stock up on energy-saving compact fluorescent light bulbs – only \$0.99 all weekend!

St. Louis area families can explore practical ways to use energy wisely, reduce-reuse-recycle, and save money on energy bills at the fifth annual EarthWays Energy & Recycling Festival, Saturday and Sunday, September 16-17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Displays of renewable energy systems will feature solar and wind power, and geothermal heating and cooling. Visitors can learn about tankless water heating, green roofs, hybrid cars, insulation, energy efficient windows, and “green” home remodeling options. Utility representatives will discuss integrating renewable sources into the region’s energy production mix. Local experts will demonstrate airsealing, duct sealing, infrared camera and blower door testing. Hourly “Green Topic Talks” will feature practical ways to maximize comfort, safety, health, efficiency and savings in any home.

On Saturday at noon and 2 p.m., kids can make a recycled lantern, wired with a compact fluorescent bulb. Young visitors on Sunday can build and decorate a solar car and compete in the Super Solar Speedster Derby at noon and 2 p.m. All ages can test their capacity as a “power plant” by taking a spin on the EarthWays Energy Bike, and sample snacks cooked in a portable solar oven – as long as the sun shines!

For more information go to: www.earthwayscenter.org

Seasonal Classes



Blue Bin Envy

Curbside confusion? Blue bin envy? Not any more! Get your questions answered about the different recycling programs offered in your area. City slickers, country folks, homeowners, apartment renters—all are welcome. In this quick session we’ll map out your nearest recycling options. Come raring to recycle—and go home armed and ready with all the info you need to start your own household program!

Instructor: Katy Mike Smaistrila

Date: Tuesday, November 7

Time: 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Location: EarthWays Center

Fee: \$15 member, \$20 non-member



RE-ENERGY-IZE Your Home!

Does your home cool and heat exactly to your liking? Are you always comfortable? Any family member have home allergy concerns? Interested in reducing those utility bills? We'll explain the importance of whole house audits and subsequent home improvements that can help you make your homes more comfortable, healthy, safe, and efficient. Your home is your biggest investment. Take care of it!

Instructor: Glenda Abney

Date: Thursday, November 9

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Location: EarthWays Center

Fee: \$15 member, \$20 non-member

Featured Organization



Appalachian Treasures Multimedia Presentation

Saturday, September 30 • 2pm-4pm

Appalachian Voices, along with Sierra Club, Missouri Coalition for the Environment, the EarthWays Center, and Missouri Forest Alliance will vividly present a critical social & environmental justice issue-mountaintop removal coal mining in Central Appalachia. Meet people who are fighting to protect the mountains and their families from irreversible destruction. At the heart of this special event is a stunning slideshow, voice recordings, and traditional music. Free. Held at St. John's Episcopal Church, 3664 Arsenal Street. Call 314-645-2032 for more information.

EarthWays Center Public Tours



3rd Saturday & Sunday each month

11 am • Noon • 1 pm • 2 pm

Admission: \$2 per person

Missouri Botanical Garden Members and Children Age 12 & Under Free
No reservations or advance ticket purchase needed for public tour weekends.

On September 16 & 17, explore EarthWays Center's features and MORE - visit our 5th annual Energy & Recycling Festival!

Note: This historic building is not wheelchair accessible. EarthWays Center is located in the Grand Center arts districts of mid-town St. Louis, not on the grounds of Missouri Botanical Garden. For a map to EarthWays Center, [click here](#).

Volunteer Opportunities



EarthWays Center has immediate volunteer opportunities available.

For our upcoming Energy & Recycling Festival, we are in need of people of all ages and backgrounds to help with event set-up, coordination of scheduled presentations & displays, clean up, break down of event, and much more.

This is a wonderful way to get to know the EarthWays Center staff and become more knowledgeable about ALL aspects of sustainable living!

We also have opportunities for volunteers to help with tours and special events on a monthly basis. The only requirement is four hours of your time every three months - we'll teach you the rest! An EarthWays shirt and name badge will be provided for regular volunteers when a one-day training is completed. Come help make a difference! **Please contact us at: (314) 577-0220 or e-mail earthways.center@mobot.org today!**

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