

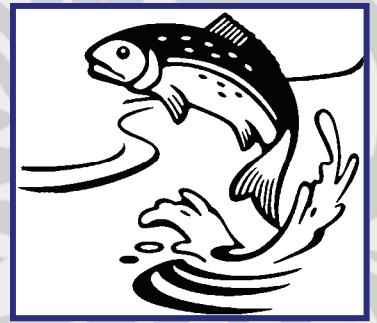
Stream Team

OLYMPIA • LACEY • TUMWATER • THURSTON COUNTY

Upcoming Events • Summer 2009

All events are free and open to the public

Visit our website at www.streamteam.info



Stream Bug Monitoring: It is Not Too Late to Help



We have some open slots for volunteers, call today!

(360) 754-3355 ext.6857 or via e-mail at finanam@co.thurston.wa.us

This summer (through August), Stream Team will be stirring up stream bugs to help assess the health of our local streams. Stream Team will be taking stream bug samples from 19 streams throughout Thurston County. The sampling dates vary from weekdays, evenings, to weekends. Volunteers are accompanied by a trained staff person. Sampling takes approximately 4-5 hours per site. Volunteer at one site...or more; there are plenty to choose from!

Stream Team is coordinated by the Storm and Surface Water Utilities of Thurston County and the Cities of Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater.



Stream Team offers:

- Free classes
- Free educational events and programs
- Volunteer opportunities

Our mission is to protect and enhance the water resources, associated habitats and wildlife of Thurston County through citizen education and action.

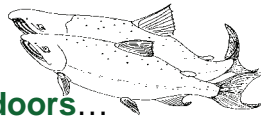
Stream Team is **FREE** and open to the public.

Salmon Stewards

If you enjoy **talking to people...**

being outdoors...

and **watching salmon...**



Then you should sign up to become a Salmon Steward!

As you read this, salmon are on their way back from the ocean to Puget Sound rivers and streams to spawn. Since 1998, volunteer Salmon Stewards have been staffing local salmon viewing sites to greet the public and talk about our local salmon runs.



Becoming a Salmon Steward is a great way to learn more about our local salmon runs and share your knowledge with others. All you need to do is attend two classroom trainings and a site visit.

New Salmon Steward Class (2 classes)

August 11, 6:00-8:00pm Basic Salmon Introduction

August 18, 6:00-8:00pm Threats to Salmon (the H's)

5th Avenue Dam Site Visit

August 15, 9:00-11:00am

To register, contact Patricia at (360) 570-5841 or email: ppyle@ci.olympia.wa.us



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Annual Garden Rhapsodies Tour Saturday July 25 10:00am-4:00pm

The 14th annual Garden Rhapsodies Tour will feature the private sanctuaries of gardeners in the Ken Lake and Delphi Valley area that open their gates for a day. Shuttle buses will transport participants. The gardens utilize water-wise gardening techniques that you can take home to your own landscapes. There will be something for beginners and green thumbs alike!



The tour is co-sponsored by Thurston County Environmental Health, Native Plants Salvage Project, Master Gardener Foundation, Olympia Symphony Guild, City of Olympia and Thurston County Stream Team.



Help Spread the word and receive **FREE admission** to the Garden Tour!
See "Upcoming Events" below for details!

Tickets for the event are \$15. You can buy tickets from local nurseries OR online at www.gardenrhapsodies.mgfc.org OR see "Upcoming Events" below to see how to earn FREE admission!



Bike Your Watershed:

The Deschutes

Sunday, July 26th

Tumwater Historical Park
777 Simmons Rd SW

Start time: between 8-10am

Cyclists of all ages and skill levels are invited to participate in the 3rd Annual Bike Your Watershed event. This free event is designed to create watershed awareness and to promote bicycling as an environmentally-friendly form of transportation.

You can register online now at <http://web.mac.com/bikeyourwatershed/>, or just register on the day of the event. Once you are registered, you may start at Tumwater Historical Park anytime between 8:00 and 10:00am on July 26.

Watershed-related, family-friendly activities, including a Stream Team booth, will be featured at the event.

To volunteer for the Stream Team booth, contact Debbie at 360-754-4148



Join Stream Team for These Upcoming Events!

Native Plant Holding Beds Need "Spruced Up"

Thursday, July 23—6:00pm-8:00pm

We are looking for volunteers to help "spruce up" the holding beds where we store the native trees and shrubs for future habitat restoration projects. Come help us remove weeds, lay down weed barrier cloth, and organize the potted plants for optimal watering and shade.

If interested, contact Ann Marie Finan at (360) 754-3355 ext.6857 or via email: finanam@co.thurston.wa.us

Help Spread the Word—Earn Free Admission to Garden Tour

We have a deal for you...come help staff the Stream Team booth during the Garden Rhapsodies Tour on July 25th (see top of page for event details) and you will receive a **free ticket** to go on the tour! We are looking for a few volunteers to help with set-up, staffing the booth, and take down sometime between 9:00am and 4:00pm. There are only a limited number of tickets, so call today!

To volunteer, contact Ann Marie Finan at (360) 754-3355 ext.6857 or via email: finanam@co.thurston.wa.us



This Stamp Means Something



Earning the limited edition Stream Team, PS I Love You tote bag is easy!

Participate in FOUR types of Stream Team Activities:

- ♥ Macromonitoring
- ♥ Salmon Stewards
- ♥ Plant Trees
- ♥ Attend a Workshop

...to earn your tote bag and show everyone that Puget Sound is in your heart!

All qualifying activities will be marked with the PS I Love You stamp!