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Water Smart Gardening Tips Offered April 23rd

Free event hosted by Boston Gardeners Coalition and Boston Natural Areas Network

BOSTON, MA, April 10, 2009 – The New England area has many challenges for gardeners such as a shorter growing period and unpredictable weather. One major concern is ensuring enough water for plants so they can thrive.

On Thursday, April 23 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., the Boston Gardeners Coalition and Boston Natural Areas Network are presenting “Water Smart Gardening,” a free program that will explain the most effective ways to maintain temperature and moisture for successful growing. The program will take place at the BNAN office, 62 Summer Street, Boston, near Downtown Crossing.

Betty Sanders, a Massachusetts Master Gardener and award-winning garden designer, will talk about choosing plants that are more tolerant of dry summers, how to improve soil (through layering and mulching) to help plants through dry spells, and how to capture and use the water that runs off your property. She will even explain how to keep your plants watered while on vacation (without having to ask a neighbor to help.) For more information, please contact BNAN at 617-542-7696 or marlo@bostonnatural.org.

Boston Natural Areas Network is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing together local residents, partner organizations, public officials and foundations to preserve, expand and enhance urban open space, including community gardens, greenways and urban wilds. For further information about the organization, becoming a member or the calendar of events, visit www.bostonnatural.org, or call 617-542-7696.

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