



**The Missouri
Master
Gardener
Program**

The mission of the Missouri Master Gardener program is: "Helping Others Learn to Grow".

As part of the outreach efforts of University of Missouri Extension, Master Gardeners involve people in improving the quality of life and enhancing the economy and environment through horticulture education, applied research, and the resources of the University of Missouri and Lincoln University.

Grow with us

Each year the group recruits new members who are committed to volunteering their time. That is why an interest in community service is just as important as any gardening expertise.

Trained Master Gardener Interns are encouraged to participate in monthly Master Gardener meetings and activities. There are several groups in the area. The Master Gardeners of the Ozarks are active in the Stone and Taney County area. The Christian County Master Gardeners are also a very active group with many exciting projects.

Learn about the Missouri Master Gardeners at:
<http://extension.missouri.edu/mg/>

Who are Master Gardeners?

Master Gardeners are adults of all ages who love gardening and who have previous gardening experience.

Master Gardeners are members of the local community who are interested in lawns, trees, shrubs, flowers, gardens, and the environment.

For More Information Contact:

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**2009
Master Gardener
Training Program**



Fun and informative classes
for gardeners of all skill levels

10 Sessions

October 8 – November 9

Orientation – October 1

**Two Locations to Choose
From**

**Branson West
(Afternoon Sessions)**

OR

**Nixa
(Evening Sessions)**

Join the Master Gardener Volunteer Program

Why become a Master Gardener Volunteer?

The Master Gardener Volunteer program is an opportunity for individuals to learn and share knowledge with others.

Each person entering the program agrees to a time commitment to the Master Gardener Program. This consists of at least 30 hours of approved activities the first year and 20 hours each year following to maintain their Master Gardener status. Following training, Master Gardener Interns are encouraged to join an existing Master Gardener group for organized educational efforts.

Who may become a Master Gardener Volunteer?

Volunteers are very important to the expanding services offered by University of Missouri Extension. A candidate for the Master Gardener program is anyone with ability and willingness to donate volunteer hours to the University of Missouri education programs.

Volunteer Activities

As representatives of University of Missouri Extension, volunteers may engage in a variety of interesting educational activities that benefit the community as well as individuals and their families.

Examples of activities may include planning community projects and educational programs, giving presentations to groups, conducting youth or senior gardening activities, assisting with a Master Gardener hotline or conducting gardening demonstrations.

Training

Master Gardener candidates receive 30 hours of basic horticulture training on a wide variety of topics taught by University of Missouri Extension Specialists and other qualified professionals.

Class Topics

Plant Growth / Pest Management
Soils / Plant Nutrition / Composting
Insects
Diseases / Plant Diagnostics
Annuals / Perennials
Turf
Trees / Ornamentals
Fruits
Landscape Design
Vegetables

Two Options for Classes:
Most Mondays & Thursdays with some exceptions — Oct. 8 to Nov. 9

Branson West City Hall
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
OR
St. Johns Clinic - Nixa
6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Orientation

October 1
1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in Branson West
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Nixa

Attendance is strongly recommended to understand the Master Gardener commitment and program.

Contact either coordinator for details



Registration

Payment of program fee must be made prior to registration deadline of October 2, 2009. Space is limited.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Program Fees:

\$125.00 per person for whole course

\$205.00 per couple from same household (one set of materials)

Check the appropriate box for the class you are interested in attending:

Branson West

Send Check and Form To:
Stone County Extension Ctr.
P.O. Box 345, 307 N. Main St.
Galena, MO 65656

Nixa

Send Check and Form To:
Christian County Extension Ctr.
P.O. Box 160, 105 N. 2nd St.
Ozark, MO 65721