



Creative Work, Dynamic Service Become a Master Gardener!

Master Gardener Training to be offered January - October 2024 !

Certified WSU Master Gardeners are highly trained volunteers who share the art and science of sustainable gardening with the people of Washington helping them with their gardening activities. Training of Master Gardeners in Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties will begin mid January and end in October 2024.

Participants will actively engage in Master Gardener basic training with WSU resources, learning about proper gardening techniques and sustainable gardening practices. As part of the training, participants will interact with instructors and peers, and spend considerable time with online assignments reading, watching videos, and doing some research. Topics include botany, entomology, integrated pest management (IPM), pesticide safety, soils, fertilizers, composting, trees and shrubs, vegetables and fruits, container gardening, native plants, landscaping, and plant pathology and diagnosis.

Class instruction will be in 4 locations depending on where participants live. Classes will meet once monthly on Saturdays, and include independent, online assignments. Instruction will include both Zoom sessions followed by hands-on experiential activities related to the topic. Classes are highly interactive, involving students and veteran Master Gardeners. Specialists from WSU, OSU or other organizations will be guest lecturers.

Students who successfully complete the course will become Master Gardener interns. As an intern, each person will complete 60 hours of volunteer work in Master Gardener related activities such as working at plant clinics, working at the 4 demonstration gardens and beds in our 2 counties, helping with public workshops, writing gardening articles, helping at the annual garden tour, annual home and garden show, and at county fairs and many other activities. Upon completion of the 60 intern volunteer hours, the person becomes a Certified Master Gardener.

Application materials and more information will be available on our website (pnwmg.org) in September.



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