



# BASTROP COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS



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## APPLICATION for MASTER GARDENER TRAINING CLASSES

**See website for next class dates!**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please print clearly and return to the above address or email. If you have any questions, please contact us at [class@bcmga78602.org](mailto:class@bcmga78602.org)

**NAME:** Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

NAME FOR NAME BADGE: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING ADDRESS:** Street or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Home ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

If retired; what was your profession? \_\_\_\_\_

### COMMITMENT:

Will you agree to a background check? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

The Bastrop County Master Gardeners is a volunteer service organization. Will you be able to commit to fifty (50) hours of volunteer service upon the completion of course work in twelve months? And an additional twenty-five (20) hours along with ten (10) Continuing Education Hours each subsequent year?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be available to attend all classes per the schedule provided? (schedule subject to change; make up classes are available)

**Tuition Fee: \$185.00 (includes Texas Master Gardeners Handbook) – deadline for enrollment can be found on the website. In addition you will be required to complete a volunteer background check ( \$12.00 fee not included in tuition fee).**

**AREAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST OR TALENT:** Please check your areas of interest or expertise. This information may be helpful to us later. What special talents/skills do you have (computer, photography, typing, art, public speaking, teaching, etc.?)

Administrative/Board/Committee \_\_\_ Greenhouse/Propagation \_\_\_ Demonstration Garden \_\_\_ Newsletter \_\_\_  
Computer/website \_\_\_ social media \_\_\_ Gardening with Elderly/Disabled \_\_\_ Insects/Plant Diseases \_\_\_

Public Relations \_\_\_ Gardening with Youth \_\_\_ Photography/Videography \_\_\_ Publicity \_\_\_ Water Conservation/Xeriscape \_\_\_  
Home Food Production \_\_\_ Organic Gardening \_\_\_

How did you learn about the Texas Master Gardener Program? \_\_\_\_\_

Years of gardening in the Bastrop County: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of overall gardening experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of gardening: vegetables, fruit & nut, landscaping, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your experience with related fields such as entomology, pathology, soils, nutrition, botany, etc:

Do you belong to any garden clubs? Please list. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have other special skills that should be considered? \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in the Bastrop County Master Gardener program? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to become a Master Gardener? \_\_\_\_\_

**OBJECTIVES OF THE MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM:**

- Expand the capacity of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to distribute horticultural information to individuals and groups in the community.
- Develop and enhance community programs related to horticulture. Depending on community needs, these may be through news articles, clinics, presentations to garden clubs, schools, and other community groups, and by telephone contacts.

**AGREEMENT:** I understand and agree that if accepted into the program I must attend all scheduled classes. I also understand that I will become a Certified Master Gardener only when each of the following are completed:

- 1) My background check has been cleared and filed with Bastrop County Master Gardeners
- 2) Completed the 50-hour course and final presentation..
- 3) Completed the 50 volunteer hours on approved Bastrop County Master Gardener projects within 1 year of completing the class.
- 4) Pay prorated dues to BCMGA upon completion of above requirements.
- 5) I understand that educational programs conducted by the Texas AgriLife Extension serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.
- 6) I understand that each year I must complete 20 volunteer hours on approved Bastrop County Master Gardener projects and 10 Continuing Education Units and pay dues timely to continue as a Certified Master Gardener.

I further pledge not to use my Texas Master Gardener Certification to promote any commercial venture.

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Signature

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Date