



Master Gardener Tree Care Specialist Training

Conducted by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Personnel,
Texas Forest Service Personnel and Tree Care Industry Professionals

Tree related questions are one of the primary things that make the phone ring in an Extension office. This training is designed to teach Master Gardener volunteers about landscape trees and troubleshooting common tree problems so they can serve county residents and extend the outreach of Extension programming into the community. In this training you will learn to select and plant adapted species to the area and the most common pests, diseases and abiotic factors that cause trees to decline. Highly qualified instructors will provide advanced training in the classroom as well as outdoor demonstrations of tree care practices.

Major topics include: Tree Benefits, Tree Biology and Function, Site Selection, Tree Species Selection, Proper Planting Techniques, Proper Training and Pruning, Tree Nutrition, Common Stress Factors, Alleviating Soil Compaction, Abiotic Tree Problems, Common Pests and Diseases, Tree Risk Assessment, Legal Issues, and Hiring a Professional Arborist.

Dates: Wednesday, October 12 through Friday, October 14, 2016

Times: Wednesday, October 12: 12:00 noon to 4:30 pm
Thursday, October 13: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Friday, October 14: 8:00 am to 12 noon

Location: The Glazier Community Center and the Harris County AgriLife Extension Office

Cost: **\$125** per person. This fee covers all instruction, educational materials, one meal, and refreshments.

Deadline: Registration deadline is **September 26, 2016**. Please note that as we must order supplies and refreshments in advance, no refunds can be given after October 3, 2016.

To Enroll: Contact Kimberly Figgs at 281-855-5600 or kimberly.figgs@ag.tamu.edu

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