



The Georgia Master Gardener Program is a training course designed to help Extension Agents transfer research-based information about gardening and related subjects to the public by training home gardeners.

A Maximum of 22 participants will be selected. If accepted into the program, you are expected to attend at least 80% of the 20 total classes and volunteer at least 50 hours in the first year and 25 hours each year thereafter to remain an active Georgia Master Gardener. These volunteer hours are achieved through assisting and educating others, not through labor. Ten volunteer hours during the first year must be at the Cooperative Extension Office. This program is open to Stephens, Franklin, Habersham, Banks and Rabun Counties.

The Currahee Master Gardeners Program is administered by the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension.

The Cost is \$125 per person and includes one copy of the Georgia Master Gardeners' Handbook. This application along with the course fee must be submitted to the Stephens County Extension office in Eastanollee no later than August 15, 2008. You will be notified of your acceptance status by August 22, 2008.

Classes are scheduled to begin on September 4, 2008 and will run until November 11, 2008. We will meet every Tuesday and Thursday at the Stephens County Extension Office from 9:30 am- 11:30 am.

Please Print Clearly:

Name: _____ **Preferred Name for Nametag:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

E-mail Address: _____

County: _____ **Daytime Phone #:** _____ **Home Phone #:** _____

Occupation (Current and/or previous): _____

Years of Gardening Experience: _____

In what areas of horticulture are you most interested?

Why do you wish to become a Master Gardener?

Do you have a disability that limits you physically? If so, please describe your limitations so accommodations can be provided. This information will not affect your acceptance into the Master Gardener Program.

**** The following five questions will not affect your eligibility for the Master Gardener Program.****

How did you hear about the Master Gardener Program?

Do you currently know any active Master Gardeners? YES NO

Indicate highest educational level you have attended:

High School	
Associates Degree	
Bachelors Degree	
Masters or Doctorate	

Have you ever applied to a Master Gardener program before? YES NO

If so, where and when? _____

If accepted into the program I consent to have my name, address and phone number listed on a class roster for the members' notebook. YES NO

I wish to become a Master Gardener and would like to be accepted into the training program beginning September 4, 2008. I understand that the Master Gardener class is a volunteer training program. If accepted, I will contribute 50 hours to volunteer service in an area related to gardening before the end of 2009. Ten of these 50 hours must be completed at the Extension office in an approved project.

Signature:

Date:

****Return Application and fee to:****

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