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Garden Master Classes are offered through the UConn Extension Master Gardener Program. For Certified Master Gardeners they provide a continuation of their education as part of the Advanced Master Gardener certification process. Certified Master Gardeners may take these classes at the reduced “Master Gardener” tuition rate.

These classes are also open to the general public, providing access to a variety of horticultural and related topics. Anyone with an interest in gardening and horticulture is welcome! If, after taking a class or two, you are interested in taking the UConn Extension Master Gardener certification program, feel free to contact your county or state coordinator (listed on page 14). The certification program is taught in five locations in the state each year, beginning in January. As part of this training, Master Gardeners commit to time as volunteers working through their local UConn Extension Center or the Bartlett Arboretum to provide horticulture-related information and assistance to the community.

Maintaining Active Certified Master Gardener Status

To maintain your active certified Master Gardener status you must:

- Take the Hot Topics class offered each year. This class is held on multiple dates throughout the state each year.
- Complete twenty (20) hours of outreach per year. At least ten (10) of those hours must be completed in an Extension Center or the Bartlett Arboretum.

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Please contact the **County Coordinator** with any questions about class content or location, or the **UConn Extension Master Gardener program** with questions about registration.

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COMPANION PLANTING, PLANT GUILDS & NATURAL COMBINATIONS
Karen Mayhew will guide you through companion plant selection to naturally deter harmful insects, increase fertility and attract beneficial insects to your garden. The companion effect happens naturally in the wild. Flora and fauna of fields, meadows, forests, swamps and deserts all evolve for mutual benefit. It may seem like survival of the fittest, but the truth is some species prefer to grow with specific others, balancing out their differences and providing ideal conditions for optimizing their unique traits. A guild is usually defined as an association of people working toward a common goal. In nature, a guild is a grouping of plants, trees, animals, insects, and other components that work together to help ensure the health and productivity of a plant community. Learn how plant diversity contributes to a healthy, thriving garden.

**Instructor: Karen Mayhew is an Advanced Master Gardener who has been contributing to the Fairfield County Demonstration Vegetable Garden for the past two years. Her areas of special interest are companion plantings and interventional pest management. Karen is also an avid backyard beekeeper.**

IDENTIFYING WILD AND NATIVE GRASSES
Grasses, sedges and rushes are all around us but, due to their lack of showy flowers and supposed difficulty of identification, are often ignored. Yet they have a singular beauty and can be identified with relative ease once you know a few key characteristics. Lauren Brown, author of *Grasses: An Identification Guide*, will lecture on grass anatomy and identification, and then guide participants through an interactive grass identification clinic.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own samples to class, along with a hand lens and a copy of Ms. Brown’s book, published by Houghton Mifflin. If possible, bring samples of entire plants, with roots attached. **Class size is limited to 16**; please register early to be ensured a seat.

**Instructor: Lauren Brown is a well-known botanist, author, and illustrator in southern New England.**

PLANT AND DIVIDE WITH CONFIDENCE
Are you anxious about dividing perennials this fall? Uncertain about purchasing container plants? Fearful about planting B&B plants? In this real-life class, Carl Galanter will demonstrate by planting shrubs and perennials, then dividing more perennials on the New Haven Extension grounds. You can practice on some of the garden’s perennials, too. Bring those perennial questions for Carl. Rain or shine!

**Instructor: Carl Galanter** All-around gardener Carl Galanter started in Horticulture and Landscaping at Naugatuck Community College. At Broken Arrow Nursery, Carl oversees the propagation and purchasing of perennials; the more unusual, the better, particularly selections of Arisaema, Disporum, Helleborus, and Polygonatum.
**F16/16 LIVABLE GARDEN DESIGN**

Good garden design starts with an understanding of both the plants and how the space to be designed will be used. A “yard” is simply a space, while a “garden” has organization and purpose. The first session covers identifying and defining your location’s specific purpose and the nuts and bolts of basic design: tools, site analysis, measuring and color and design principles. Students will then have two weeks to develop a garden design on their own and the results will be shared in the second session, along with suggestions and feedback. Students can work on a new or existing garden. **CLASS LIMIT: 15** Please check with coordinator BEFORE sending in registration.

**Instructor: Sarah Bailey** is a Certified Advanced Master Gardener and a Connecticut Accredited Nursery Professional. She has worked in the horticultural industry for the last two decades as, variously, a retail nursery manager, private gardener, garden designer and consultant for several landscape firms. She is the Hartford County coordinator for the UConn Extension Master Gardener Program. She is on the board of directors for the Canton Land Conservation Trust and the education committee of the CT Nursery & Landscape Association.

**F16/19 BEHIND THE SCENES AT A FLOWER FARM (aka GROW YOUR OWN BOUQUETS)**

Come along for a ride through a year at a flower farm and let flower farmer Evelyn Lee share a wealth of tips that are certain to help your flower gardens and bring a bounty of bouquets to your home. A colorful PowerPoint presentation highlights valuable cultural and harvesting information as well as recommendations for varieties to add to your landscape or dedicated cutting garden. Come learn how easy it is to grow and harvest a bouquet a week!

**Instructor: Evelyn Lee**, flower farmer and floral designer at her specialty cut flower farm—Butternut Gardens in Southport, CT—is a CT NOFA Accredited Organic Land Care Professional. Her farm is a certified Bee Friendly Farm. Evelyn grows just shy of 45,000 flowers a year for wholesale, retail, weddings and events. She received a Certificate in Gardening from New York Botanical Garden, was trained as a Master Gardener in Connecticut, and earned a Masters in Environmental Studies from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. Evelyn combines her lifelong love of flower gardening with an environmentally sensitive approach to achieve beautiful and natural-looking garden-inspired floral designs.

**F16/22 FALL GROUNDCOVERS**

Grassy lawns are the single most popular groundcover, but they are not always the best choice for a location or the easiest to maintain. In this talk, Kathy helps participants rethink groundcovers. She offers alternatives such as low-mow lawn mixes, ornamental grasses, sedges, mat-forming shrubs, sedum, moss and more. She’ll also talk about new developments in groundcovers. Helpful resource sheets available to participants.

In this September session, Kathy will place a special emphasis on fall planting.

**Instructor: Kathy Connolly** has been involved with horticulture, land care, and landscape design for 30 years. As a landscape designer, she helps clients create functional, attractive outdoor spaces with a great deal of attention to plant health (and the health of the planet).
Successful gardeners are adept at passing down best practices. For generations, doing this or adding that at an appointed time has been known to result in better harvests or a healthier house plant. Some of these practices often appear to border on superstition, yet they’re passed from one generation to the next because they actually work. As a URI Master Gardener, Bob Rafka frequently interacts with the gardening public and relishes the opportunity to collect, ponder, and eventually shed some scientific light on these ritualistic practices. In this class, he’ll describe a number of time-honored gardening practices then attempt to explain the chemistry that makes them succeed.

Instructor: Dr. Robert Rafka has a doctorate in chemistry from Queen’s University in Ontario and worked as a research chemist at Pfizer in Groton, CT. Now retired, he teaches chemistry and physics at Fitch High School. Bob was a member of the URI Master Gardener class of 1998 and reached MG Hall of Fame status in 2011. Because of his chemistry background, he quickly became involved with projects that were related to soil, plant nutrition, and compost.

Horticultural therapy (HT) techniques help people to learn new skills or regain those that are lost. A therapeutic garden is specifically designed to meet the needs of these gardeners, and therapists are professionals with specific education, training and credentials in the use of horticultural therapy.

Master Gardeners are increasingly being called upon to understand the concepts of HT in outreach activities. Learn about the evolving time-proven practice of horticultural therapy originating in ancient times. Discover the broad range of rehabilitative, vocational and community settings that utilize this beneficial and effective therapeutic modality. Explore the cognitive, psychological, social, and physical benefits which are the basis for setting treatment goals. Participate in a hands-on activity to experience how the process itself is considered the therapeutic activity rather than the end product.

Deirdra E. Wallin, HTR has Advanced Master Gardener and Master Composter Certificates from UCONN and a Horticultural Therapy Certificate from New York Botanical Garden. She is registered as a Horticultural Therapist through the American Horticultural Therapy Association. Her small business, The Personal Gardener, specializes in home garden development and maintenance, and provides educational, social and therapeutic programming for individuals and groups. She also provides presentations and workshops on a wide range of horticulture topics.

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**Fi6/23  CONTROLLED BURNS AND PITCH PINE RESTORATION**

Pitch pine habitat is one of Connecticut’s 13 Imperiled Ecosystems. With state forester and pitch pine aficionado Emery Gluck as your guide, visit a section of Cockaponsett State Forest that was subjected to a controlled burn this spring. Learn more about ecosystem regeneration after a burn, why it benefits pitch pine, *Pinus rigida*, and its historic use in Connecticut.

**Instructor: Emery Gluck** is a Connecticut state forester who has worked on tree harvests and controlled fires to provide openings for pitch pines. He wrote the articles, “Confessions of a Pitch Pine Enthusiast” and “Pitch Pine–Scrub Oak Barrens” for Connecticut Forest and Park magazine.

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**Fi6/12  WILD EDIBLES IN OUR LANDSCAPES: WHAT’S HEALTHY AND WHY:**

Many of us grew up with relatives who knew how to forage from lawns and forests. Some of this knowledge has been forgotten. This presentation will focus on plants that are edible and/or provide nourishment that are often overlooked. Harvesting safely in the wild, even our own backyard, has its guidelines which will be included.

**Instructor: Judith Dreyer, MS, BSN, is a Master Gardener and teacher with more than 20 years’ experience developing workshops and classes, speaking and writing about holistic health, edible and medicinal plants, dreams and more. She has degrees in Nursing and Nutrition Science and has taught Holistic Health Studies and Nutrition Science at both university and college levels. Judith has traveled a wheel of diverse learning and experiences.**

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**Fi6/06  EMERALD ASH BORER UPDATE**

The presence of emerald ash borer (*Agrilus planipennis*) in Connecticut was first confirmed in 2010 and has now been found in all eight counties. The sight of tree removal crews and equipment is a familiar one to residents of the western part of the state. Homeowners with no ash trees on their property are realizing that their tax dollars will be paying for the removal of dying ash trees that threaten roads and utilities. Can any ash (*Fraxinus*) trees be saved? Claire Rutledge will review the life cycle of EAB, their history in the US, and the outlook for the future of our threatened forests and home landscapes.

**Instructor: Dr. Claire Rutledge** is an Associate Agricultural Scientist at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station whose specialty is wood-boring insects. Her work has focused on comparing mating behavior and ecology of native and exotic insects. Claire is known to UConn Extension Master Gardeners as the organizer of the Wasp Watchers.
**October**

**F16/20 NATIVE SEED COLLECTION FOR CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION**

Collecting seed of local plant populations is a key step in preserving our native plants and the habitats they create. Clara Holmes will explain why conserving and using local genetics is critical for the long-term conservation of native plant species. You'll learn how to make native seed collections and the various ways you can get involved in local conservation and restoration efforts. After the lecture, the class will move outside to Greenwich Audubon's Fairchild Wildflower Sanctuary where participants will get hands-on experience making a seed collection. The sanctuary is located approximately one mile from the Audubon's classroom and participants will drive to the collection site; carpooling will be required due to limited parking. Please make sure to dress appropriately for working outdoors. **Class Limit: 40 Please check with coordinator BEFORE sending in registration.**

Clara Holmes has been the Seed Collection Coordinator for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Seed Bank (MARS-B) since 2013. She manages MARS-B’s various seed collection projects, oversees seed collectors throughout the region, makes seed collections and trains numerous interns and volunteers. Prior to working with MARS-B, Clara worked with the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation, conducting vegetation surveys in NYC Parks. She holds a B.A. from the College of Charleston and an M.S. from Pace University.

**F16/25 MEDITATION GARDENS**

Since ancient times meditation gardens have been a place of contemplation; a sanctuary to connect with nature. Join Jean Golicz and Christine Galla as they share their experiences with several local garden projects including a labyrinth, a healing garden, a Mary garden, a memorial garden, a peace garden, and a children's prayer garden. This presentation will include a discussion of the entrance, seating, color and lighting, and natural features (wood, water, and stone).

**Instructors: Jean Golicz and Christine Galla,** a retired teacher and a nurse respectively, are Advanced Master Gardeners.

**F16/14 GROWING ROSES ORGANICALLY**

Admit it - roses have a drug habit. This talk will show you how you can get yours off them and still have magnificent blooms with disease and insect control (they DO come in on the wind!) without the fuss and bother you may think they demand. Best of all, you’ll learn how to grow them without all those chemicals that can potentially poison you the gardener, and our precious planet. Imagine what you could do with all that time!

**Instructor: Lorraine Ballato** has been writing and speaking/and contributes to the section on "woodies" for the White Flower Farm Spring catalogs. She has spoken on numerous gardening radio shows and is a regular contributor to Edible Nutmeg, Connecticut Gardener, and other horticultural publications. A CT Advanced Master Gardener, Lorraine teaches classes at the New York Botanical Garden and speaks to a wide variety of groups and organizations. A member of Great Garden Speakers, she talks on everything from hydrangeas to roses to marauding deer, with images from her sizable slide collection.
**F16/02 LATIN FOR GARDENERS**

The scientific names for plants intimidate many gardeners. This can result in purchasing the wrong plant or misidentifying plant problems. In this class we'll review the history of plant names in the Western world, why they change and why we as gardeners should make an effort to use these names. It’s not all Greek, or Latin, and this knowledge can expand your gardening expertise.

**Instructor:** Jude Hsiang is a Certified Advanced UConn Extension Master Gardener and the program coordinator for New Haven County. She works at Broken Arrow Nursery in Hamden and is a member of the board of the Experiment Stations Associates and the Connecticut Botanical Society. Jude explores the use of plant pigments for dyeing and leads workshops under the name Versicolor.

**F16/11 SOIL – IT’S NOT JUST DIRT**

Rarely discussed by gardeners, soil is nonetheless the foundation of a garden. Each tablespoon of healthy soil is alive with millions of creatures, many working to keep your plants healthy. Learn more about this intriguing ecosystem.

**Instructor:** Margery Winters is the Assistant Director and instructor at Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton and manages their native plant gardens. She is past chairman of the Federated Garden Club Landscape Design Study Program and is a Master Landscape Design Consultant.

Margery is chairman of the Simsbury Inland Wetland / Conservation Commission, and was a past member of the Simsbury Land Trust. Margery has been actively involved in Connecticut’s river and land issues. Before moving to Connecticut, she was an environmental scientist with Argonne National Laboratory in Chicago.

Margery holds a M.Sc. from Queen's University, Canada and a BA from Miami University, Ohio in Physical Geography/Geology.

**F16/04 DIVAS OF AUTUMN – DAZZLING DAHLIAS!**

Participants in this class will be introduced to the how-to of planting, maintaining, propagating, harvesting and post-harvest techniques of these show stoppers of the fall garden. In addition to the PowerPoint presentation, examples of the various flower forms will be displayed (with Mother Nature’s cooperation). Michael will give hands-on instruction for successful identification of “eyed” tubers and a few ways to properly store the tubers over winter for a plentiful stock for next season’s planting. Everyone will go home with a “Diva” for their own garden.

**Instructor:** Michael A. Russo is the owner of Trout Lily Farm in North Guilford. On one acre of intensively cultivated soil, Michael grows herbs, vegetables, gourds and flowers organically for his floral design business. He is a 2012 graduate of the Master Gardener program and before embarking on life as a “gentleman farmer” he was an art educator for 33 years.
**F16/13 CREATE A GARDEN NOTEBOOK**

Creating a notebook will help you make smarter choices for your yard and garden. With the arrival of autumn’s cooler days and nights, most of us are now putting our gardens to rest. You probably had some successes and failures in your garden this summer. And, by the time spring rolls around, you’ll probably have forgotten many of the details about what happened in your garden this season. A garden journal is a great tool to prevent repeating mistakes and ensures more garden successes. Your journal will be a personal record, specific to your property, including what you like to grow and your own gardening style. What did you learn and what do you want to do, try, or change during the next growing season? A simple notebook or journal will help achieve a greener thumb. A suggested list of materials will be provided in advance. **Class limit: 20. Please check with coordinator BEFORE sending in registration.**

**Instructor: Julia Cencebaugh** is CT Advanced Master Gardener and the UConn Master Gardener coordinator at the Fairfield County Extension Center. Her area of special interest includes garden design, habitat restoration, native plants, woody ornamentals and wildflowers. She holds certification from the New York Botanical Garden in landscape design and is certified in arboriculture. She has served as the project coordinator for Partners for Plants, a joint initiative between Garden Club of America, The US Department of Forestry, CT DEEP and the Ridgefield Conservation Commission. She works professionally as a painter and a garden designer and frequently lectures throughout the NY Metropolitan area. She conducts educational programs focusing on creativity, sustainability and gardening in harmony with nature.

**F16/15 GARDEN AND NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY 1, 2, 3**

F16/15A November 5  
F15/16B November 12  
F15/16C November 19

“It looked great in my garden (or on the trail, or at the botanical garden, etc.), but ...”  
“You can’t see the insect in this photo, but ...”

Does this sound like you talking about your disappointing photos? Here is a series of three classes that will help you understand modern cameras and hone your photographic skills.

In the first session, Ted will demonstrate camera, lighting, tripod, software and format choices and use. The focus of the second session will be on macro photography and flower portraiture. Session three will concentrate on facets of landscape photography, from miniature to colossal. Ted will discuss lens choices and how to capture the natural light, and post-processing choices (is it trickery or a creative art?). Although it would be ideal for you to register for all three sessions, you may sign up for single sessions. **Class limit: 15 Please check with coordinator BEFORE sending in registration.**

**Instructor: Ted Johnson** has pursued perfecting his photography since his college days. He has participated in more than a dozen photography workshops given by leading landscape photographers and studied with Jeff Schewe, a "Guru’s Guru" for Adobe Photoshop and Lightroom. Ted has won awards from CT Audubon for his photos, and teaches an Adobe Lightroom tutorial for CT Audubon. He joined the ranks of the UConn Master Gardeners in 2016.
### Fi6/07  HOW TO GROW WORLD-CLASS PUMPKINS

Join Adam Wheeler of Broken Arrow Nursery for a fun and informative look into the world of competitive pumpkin growing. From site selection to competition, Adam will share the secrets to grow the biggest and best fruits possible. Although the lecture will focus on how to grow extra-large pumpkins, it will also inform gardeners about improving growing conditions for other pumpkin relatives including melons, squash, and cucumbers. All participants will leave with a few special seeds for use next year.

**Instructor:** Adam Wheeler is the propagation and plant development manager at Broken Arrow Nursery in Hamden. He completed his BS in urban forestry and landscape horticulture at the University of Vermont. Adam has collected many rare specimens of unusual plants and specializes in recognizing, developing, and introducing unique plants to the public.

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### Fi6/26  MANAGING YOUR RAISED BEDS: TIPS AND TECHNIQUES FROM A MARKET GARDENER

Why grow in raised beds and how do you manage crops in this system? Farmer, teacher and scientist Ian Gibson will answer these questions as well as present the best practices for raising crops in raised beds. He will present ideas for preparing and building raised beds, preventing small rodent damage, and controlling diseases, while emphasizing methods for bringing plants from seedlings to market.

**Instructor:** Ian Gibson manages Wellstone Farm/CSA in Higganum and serves as agricultural advisor to the Higganum Farmers’ Market. He holds a bachelor’s degree in wildlife biology from the University of Rhode Island and a master’s degree in marine biology and coastal zone management from Nova Southeastern University. Ian is also an independent science educator. Jude Boucher from UConn IPM has declared Wellstone Farm the tidiest farm he has ever visited!

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### Fi6/05  DISEASES OF NEW ENGLAND TREES

This class is a survey of important tree diseases of eastern North America including chestnut blight and Dutch elm disease. Also covered will be less well-known diseases such as elm yellows, beech bark disease, oak wilt, and bacterial leaf scorch of oak. The history, importance and impact of these diseases, as well as advances in overcoming them, will be discussed.

**Instructor:** Dr. Robert Marra, whose principle interest is forest pathology, is an Associate Agricultural Scientist in the Department of Plant Pathology & Ecology at the CT Agricultural Experiment Station. He has developed expertise in the use of a new technology, similar to CAT scans, for assessing the internal condition of trees, long an elusive goal of forest pathologists, arborists, and others.
**F16/24  DESIGNING A HOME LANDSCAPE**

A well-designed home landscape invokes a sense of serenity amid the pressures of everyday life. It is possible to develop pleasing outdoor spaces using the same basic principles employed by professional landscapers. Incorporate these principles and create a simple sketch to use at home to achieve your desired outcome. Participants are encouraged to bring photos of their landscape challenges for discussion of possible solutions.

*Instructor: Michele MacKinnon* is a 2013 UConn Master Gardener graduate from Sherman, CT. Her interest in landscape design began with transforming a barren suburban property when she won a $5,000 do-it-yourself landscape prize. The prize included a professional landscape design and associated plant material. Michele designs and installs gardens for clients in northern Fairfield County and enjoys sharing her gardening knowledge with others through lectures, classes and writing. She is currently completing a book for new gardeners based on common-sense, sustainable design practices which will be published in the coming year.

**F16/10  GOOD BUG, BAD BUG: KEEP FRIENDS CLOSE; YOUR ENEMIES CLOSER**

We all know there are good guys and bad guys in our gardens. Flies, wasps, beetles, bugs, are they good or bad? The answer is both, of course. And while encouraging beneficials in the garden is important, gardeners usually don't understand their enemies well enough. So this class will concentrate on the biology and lifecycles of our most common garden pest in an effort to know your enemy. We will also discuss many of our beneficial friends and techniques to get more of them to help in the struggle.

*Instructor: Robert Durgy* has been the Farm Supervisor for the CT Agricultural Experiment Station at the Griswold Research Center in Griswold, CT since 2008. The farm is a field station for scientists to conduct experiments on agricultural, horticultural and forestry crops. Previously Rob worked for 12 years for the UConn Extension, the last four managing the Plant Diagnostic Lab. Research studies have concentrated on field corn and vegetable production including pest and weed management, soil fertility and organic production practices.

**AMG Credit Available for CIPWG Symposium**

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**F16/08 THE MYTHIC APPLE AND THE HOME ORCHARD**

There is a great sense of pride and accomplishment in growing your own fruit. Most families think they don’t have the space or time to tend an orchard, but you don’t have to plant a huge orchard. You can plant a few trees close together in a small space, and it doesn’t require much maintenance.

Join apple enthusiast Peter Montgomery as he shares apple lore, history, and his passion for bringing heirloom apples back to life. Peter will also be teaching apple care tips, growing advice, and how to develop a permaculture to extend fruit harvest for the home gardener. And what about the mythic perfect apple? Peter says we should be more concerned with qualities such as flavor, storage and baking. And what to do if the apples aren’t beautiful? Make cider!

**Instructor: Peter Montgomery** teaches classes throughout northwestern Connecticut on the care of fruit trees, and orchard maintenance. He recently installed an orchard at The Eric Sloane Museum in Kent, CT. He has been the subject of many articles in local newspapers, and is a recipient of the DEEP “School Green Circle Award.” Peter lives in Warren CT and is the proprietor of Montgomery Gardens.

**F16/17 NEW TRENDS IN PERENNIAL GARDENING**

Come explore the exciting changes in garden design, seen through the prism of a century of perennial gardening. We will review the people, places, and plants, along with the shifting paradigm that is accelerating faster than ever before. Is form vs. function a fallacy? What is a sustainable garden? And who is responsible for Rudebeckia ‘Goldsturm’? We will answer all this and give you the insights in how to design like the High Line. (Hint: Getrude Jekyll has nothing to do with it).

**Instructor: Scott Reil** is a nursery professional with near 30 years of experience in the green trades. He has been a salesman for several wholesale nurseries, designer, landscaper, and production manager for an organic land care company, to name just a few of his myriad jobs. He is a Connecticut Accredited Nurseryperson, and an Accredited Organic Landcare Professional, and the cohost of Garden Talk, the largest radio gardening show in the state. He lives in Colchester with his wife Becky and three spoiled cats.

Since classes may be added on an ongoing basis, be sure to check the UConn Extension Master Gardener website often at [http://mastergardener.uconn.edu/](http://mastergardener.uconn.edu/) for additional classes.
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Registration Information

To register, please complete the form on the next page. If you are registering for more than one person, please use separate forms for each. Registrations are processed upon receipt. Payment is by check or money order, made out to UConn. Mail your completed registration and payment to:

UConn Extension Master Gardener Program
Attn: AMG/Master Classes
1376 Storrs Road, Unit 4036
Storrs, CT 06269-4036

Class information will be sent the week prior to the class, via email wherever possible. If you do not have email, please ensure that we have a telephone number where we can reach you. The lower course fee is offered to UConn Certified Master Gardeners. Students currently enrolled in the Master Gardener Program are also eligible for the lower course fees.

Questions

Please direct inquiries about a specific class to the Extension center sponsoring that class (see list on previous page) or to the state coordinator (860) 486-6343. The “Classes by Date” listing in the front of the catalog notes which office is sponsoring each class.

Cancellation and Refunds

Nothing cancels a great class quicker than everyone waiting until the last minute to register. Classes are filled on a ‘first come, first served’ basis. If enrollment is insufficient classes are cancelled one week prior to the start date and a credit will be issued. Calling will not resurrect the cancelled class, so please register early! Every attempt will be made to notify registrants of a cancelled class via telephone or email; therefore, it is important to include both your daytime and evening telephone number as well as relevant email addresses.

Last-minute withdrawals and no-shows cause significant problems for the effective administration of the Master Classes. In order to receive credit toward a future class due to a student-initiated withdrawal from a course, the county coordinator or the state coordinator must be notified by phone or email at least three (3) business days before the class (see list on previous page). No credits will be given without this prior notification. A $5.00 administrative fee will be deducted to process the credit. Credit vouchers will be sent by email whenever possible.

Walk-in registrations can be taken only if there is room in the class; late registrants should check with the sponsoring coordinator before the class to determine availability. If you are not registered, we cannot notify you of any changes in time or location.

Weather Cancellations

Class cancellations due to inclement weather are generally announced by email and recorded message. If you think that your class may have been cancelled, please check your email and/or call the Extension Master Gardener office sponsoring the class.

Using Class Credits

To apply a class credit toward a new class, the user MUST submit a copy of the credit voucher with future registrations (or bring a copy with them if they register at the door for a class).
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**E-mail address**

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**Payment** - Make check or money order payable to “UConn.” Check # ________

Are you a Master Gardener? Yes/ No  If Yes, year certified: 19____ or 20____

In which county? ________________________ ______________________________________

☐ Please check this box if this is the first time you’ve enrolled for Garden Master Classes.

Please fill out below with the course number (F16/XX), title and cost. Mail your completed registration and payment to:

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