



# MASTER GARDENER™ APPLICATION

## OSU Extension Service-Linn County Office

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Select one option below and check the appropriate box.**

- I want to take the Master Gardener course of instruction AND volunteer an equal number of hours for a cost of \$110. The fee covers the cost of the Master Gardener™ reference notebook and additional class materials. My 66 hours of volunteer time pays for the instruction.
- I want to take the Master Gardener course of instruction and NOT volunteer any time for a cost of \$500. The fee covers the cost of the Master Gardener™ reference notebook, additional class materials, and instruction.

How did you learn of the Master Gardener™ Program?

How many years of gardening experience do you have?

Please list any specialized garden-related training you have received.

What interests you and what do you expect to gain from the Master Gardener™ program?

Please list areas of specialization or hobbies (e.g. vegetables, greenhouses, roses, etc.)

Have you gardening club or garden-related group affiliations? What are they?

In what ways could you best contribute to the Master Gardener™ program? For example: teaching, 4-H and youth projects, senior projects, horticultural demonstrations, etc.

Please list volunteer activities in which you have participated within the last five years.

Please list one personal reference, include address and phone number.

Please list general times during the next gardening season that you know you will not be available for volunteer service (vacation, job, other regular commitments).

The following ethnic information is required on federal reports. This information is required because we receive federal funding. Please check the appropriate boxes.

- White, non-Hispanic     Black or African American, non-Hispanic     Hispanic
- Native American or Alaskan Native     Asian or Pacific Islander     More than one race
- Male     Female

### Master Gardener™ Agreement

If accepted into the Master Gardener™ training program and choose to volunteer my time in exchange for the instruction received from the Linn County-OSU Extension Service, I agree to volunteer 66 hours of time. A minimum of 46 hours will be spent answering questions at the Master Gardener™ desk in the Linn County Extension office during gardening season (generally mid- March through October). The additional 20 hours are volunteered in the community. Activities might include:

- Staffing an information booth at the Linn County fair
- Presenting programs for service clubs
- Giving demonstrations and/or teaching classes
- Participating in garden projects
- Instructing youth (4-H, etc.)

**If I am unable to pay back time within one year, I agree to pay an additional \$400.00 for my Master Gardener™ training.**

If accepted into the training program and I choose **not** to volunteer my time in exchange for the instruction, I agree to pay \$500 upon acceptance into the program. I may not use the title of Master Gardener™.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Complete this application form and return it, by **December 4**, to Linn County-OSU Extension Service, PO Box 765, Albany 97321-0261. Plan to attend the required orientation on Tuesday, December 8, at noon in the Evelyn Downing Room at the Old Armory Building, corner of 4th and Lyons streets, downtown Albany. **A letter of acceptance is required to enter the training program. Early application is encouraged, as space is limited.**




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