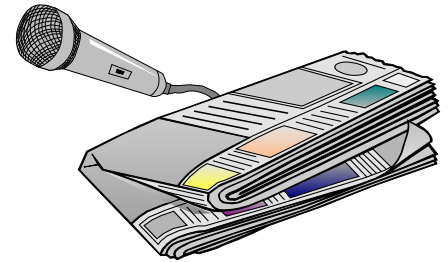




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MASTER GARDENER DEADLINE EXTENDED!

The University of California Master Gardener Program is an educational program designed to teach and effectively extend information to address gardening needs in the many communities throughout California. Master Gardeners learn University-based scientific information and then volunteer to extend that knowledge to the gardening public. Master Gardener volunteers are people of all ages and from all walks of life with a common desire to help others learn about water conservation, integrated pest management (IPM), sustainable landscape practices and much more.

Once accepted into the Master Gardener Training Program, volunteers will attend classes in Oroville. The course consists of over 50 hours of intensive training taught by University of California specialists and other professionals from the nursery and landscape industry. There is a fee of \$175.00 to cover training class expenses. Along with instruction, you will also receive books and materials as part of your fee. Some of the topics to be covered include: irrigation, soils, composting, fertilizer management, managing home orchards and vineyards, propagation, plant diseases, entomology, IPM, and many other subjects. Once certified, Master Gardeners are required to complete 50 hours of volunteer service and 12 hours of continuing education during the first program year and every year thereafter.

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- " Oroville is the location for the 2012 UC Master Gardener Training Course
- " Classes begin in mid-January 2012, with the last week of instruction in mid-May 2012.
- " Classes will be Thursday afternoons at the UCCE, Butte County office in Oroville, 2279-B Del Oro Avenue, Oroville, CA 95965. Carpooling from Orland to Oroville can be arranged.

To find out further information about the UC Master Gardener Program and to also download an application, please go to the Glenn County Master Gardener website: <http://ucanr.org/sites/glennmg> or call (530) 865-1107. The application period has been extended and the new deadline is October 21, 2011.

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