



**Master Gardener Advanced Training  
Trees and Tree Care  
March 27-29, 2025  
Tarrant County Master Gardener Association  
1801 Circle Dr., Fort Worth, Texas 76119**

**Advanced Training Purpose:**

To provide advanced training whereby Master Gardeners can obtain specialization in areas that support or expand designed programs of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

**Advanced Master Gardener Training – Trees and Tree Care:**

The Advanced Master Gardener Trees and Tree Care training is an intensive multi-day training that provides Master Gardeners with knowledge and skills required to effectively support and multiply Texas A&M AgriLife Extension efforts in educational programs. The class will teach you about trees and tree care in the home landscape, as well as how to partner with cities and community groups to advocate for trees. The classes are taught by professional arborists, Texas A&M educators, and Texas Forest Service staff.

Master Gardeners who fulfill specified training and volunteer requirements will be recognized as an Advanced Master Gardener in the specific field of Trees and Tree Care. This certification does not empower the individual with supervisory or administrative authority within his/her local county programs. The class is limited to 30 participants. Only two participants from each county may apply. A waiting list will be maintained, and open positions will be filled from the list without regard to county.

**Participation Requirements:**

To be eligible for the Advanced Master Gardener Trees and Tree Care training, an individual must possess a current Master Gardener certification or be an employee of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Master Gardener application must be approved by the local County Extension Agent.

**Advanced Master Gardener Training – Trees and Tree Care**

The Advanced Master Gardener Training – Tree and Tree Care program is designed to train and certify Master Gardeners to become part of a state corps of Trees and Tree Care experts and educators. To become a certified Advanced Master Gardener in Trees and Tree Care, Master Gardeners are required to attend the Advanced Master Gardener in Trees and Tree Care training to fulfill training requirements and meet service requirements described below.

**Position Description:**

The Advanced Master Gardener Trees and Tree Care training is designed to increase awareness and provide training about trees and their care and maintenance.

**Time Commitment:**

The Master Gardener is required to serve a minimum of one year as an Advanced Master Gardener in Trees and Tree Care providing a minimum of 20 hours of service. Service includes training Master Gardeners in their county, presenting the information to at least 3 other groups, and setting up a demonstration in their county.

### **Training and Service Requirements:**

- Attend the Trees and Tree Care training.
- Serve as a local Advanced Master Gardener Trees and Tree Care resource
- Assist with Trees and Tree Care training for Master Gardeners and trainees
- Conduct community/youth Trees and Tree Care education programs
- Increase clientele knowledge about Trees and Tree Care through presentations, workshops and mass media efforts (i.e., radio, newspaper, television, newsletters)

### **Reporting Volunteer Service:**

Upon completion of the advanced training, Master Gardeners are expected to be a local county resource and contribute volunteer service by training other Master Gardeners and the public. Advanced Trained Master Gardeners should document and report volunteer service hours to their county agent. The agent will keep a record of the hours submitted and report all qualifying advanced trained Master Gardeners to the State Master Gardener Coordinator. Those who have completed the Advanced Training and required volunteer service will receive a certificate signed by the county agent. Those completing Advanced Training courses will be recognized at the SFE awards conference.

There is a specialized Advanced Training pin for those who certify. Contact your county agent for information.

**If you need any special accommodations, please contact Patsy Miller at [pjmiller24@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pjmiller24@sbcglobal.net) by March 11, 2025, so your request can be considered.**

### **Tentative Class Topics:**

Benefits of Trees

Biology of Trees

Best Trees for Texas

Care of Fruit and Nut Trees

Effect of Climate on Trees – Droughts, Freezes

Tree Pruning

Right Tree, Right Place

Tree Pests and Diseases

Critters and Trees: Trees as an Ecosystem

Propagation by Seed

How to Select and Plant a Tree

Trips to Fort Worth Botanic Gardens for Tree ID Class; Fort Worth's Rolling Hills Tree Farm for tour and first-hand viewing of propagation, selection and planting trees.

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Registration Form
Master Gardener Advanced Training

Trees and Tree Care, March 27-29, 2025

Tarrant County Master Gardeners – Fort Worth, Texas

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS March 3, 2025. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY / ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

MG Coordinator/Extension Agent Signature (Required)

Registration fee of \$200, includes lectures, tours, Trees and Tree Care thumb drive with power points and resource materials, "Trees of Texas Field Guide" by Stan Tekiela, tote bag with resource materials, 1 dinner and 2 lunches. Special diet request (vegan or allergies), please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Denim shirt order – to purchase an Advanced Trees and Tree Care denim shirt for \$40, please complete the information below. Pick up during check-in on March 27.

Ladies \_\_\_\_\_ Men \_\_\_\_\_ Long-sleeve \_\_\_\_\_ Short-sleeve \_\_\_\_\_
S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_\_\_ (\$2 additional) XXXL \_\_\_\_\_ (\$4 additional)

Registration Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Denim Shirt @ \$40 each (include extra for large sizes) Qty \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

COURSE IS LIMITED TO 30 APPLICANTS, two per county. There will be a wait list. There will be no refunds after March 6, 2025. If you have questions, contact Patsy Miller at training@tarrantmg.org

Send this form and check to : Tarrant County Master Gardeners, c/o Donna Parikka, 2914 Greenway Dr., Burleson, TX 76028.