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I understand that if I am accepted for Master Gardener training, I must attend all the training sessions. I further understand that I will be expected to devote 40 hours of volunteer Master Gardener service within a year.

A <u>\$125 fee</u> is charged for Master Gardener training and supplies.

Application deadline is: January 5.

Signature:_	 		
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Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Please return this application to:
UW Extension—Master Gardener
1400 East College Drive
Pathfinder Building, room 406D
Cheyenne, WY. 82007
\*\* Make Checks Payable to
UW Master Gardener Program



## EXTENSION

For more information on this topic or other
Agriculture, Horticulture, 4-H or Family Consumer Science topics call the
Laramie County Extension at 633-4383
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The University of Wyoming Master Gardener Program exists to extend the University via volunteer service based on environmentally sound methods of growing plants and sustainable horticulture.

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## Laramie County Master Gardener Program

There are <u>no</u> pre-requisites for this program.

You don't have to be an expert gardener to become a Master Gardener. All you need is a desire to learn and to help others become better gardeners.



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The Master Gardener program is made up of volunteers who are enthusiastic about gardening, who want to learn more about growing plants, and who are willing to share their knowledge with others.

The Master Gardener program brings gardeners up-to-date on horticultural information and gardening methods, reinforces previous knowledge and teaches you how to disseminate this information in the best way.

In its simplest form, a Master Gardener is a volunteer trained by the Laramie County Extension to help other people in the community learn more about gardening and landscape care.

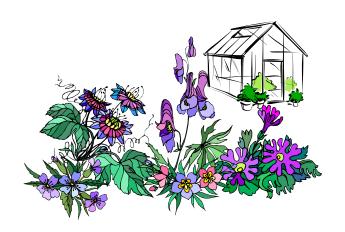


Persons become Master Gardeners by completing a 60 hour class room training lasting 10 weeks, pass the course test and complete the required 40 hours of volunteer time.

Classes are offered every year, the next class will start mid January 2017 we meet twice a week in the evenings from 6 ~9 pm for 10 weeks.

Instruction covers in a wide variety of topics including: basic botany, soils, soil fertility, insects, plant diseases, landscape design, site analysis, trees and shrubs, vegetables, water conservation, greenhouses, perennials and more.







Upon course completion, participants then serve as Master Gardener Interns under the supervision of the County Horticulturalist and qualified Master Gardeners.

There are numerous opportunities to satisfy the 40 hours of required volunteer time. The emphasis is that the Master Gardener will share their gardening knowledge with others.

One option is to help at the Laramie County Fair with the Floriculture entrees, or Master Gardener Garden Walk and help is always needed with the Annual Plant Sale and other seasonal Master Gardener Group programs.

Upon completion of the of volunteer service, interns graduate to certified Master Gardeners at the annual Master Garden meeting in the fall.

To maintain Master Gardener status, a volunteer must complete 30 hours of continuing education annually.