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THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT EXTENSION MASTER GARDENER

UVM Extension Master Gardener Program Updates November 2018



2018 Master Gardener State Conference

The 2018 UVM Extension Master Gardener Conference was a great success with more than 80 attendees from around Vermont, New Hampshire, and New York, gathering at the beautiful grounds and facilities of Fourth Corner Foundation in Windham, VT.

The slate of speakers included a keynote presentation by Margaret Roach, a nationally recognized Hudson Valley garden author sharing her ideas in "Nonstop Plants: A Garden for 365 Days." Jan Johnsen, author of the new book "Spirit of Stone", shared strategies for using stone in the garden as art and architecture. Amy Ivy, vegetable specialist for Cornell University, Mike Ather, UVM EMG Course instructor. Kate Kerin, Curator at Innisfree Gardens in Millbrook, NY rounded out the day with excellent presentations on extending the gardening season and sustainable gardening strategies.

A garden tour with Steven Fellows, UVM EMG, and Head Gardener at Fourth Corner Foundation was well attended and featured luscious heirloom tomatoes and a new installation of a beautiful pollinator garden designed by Claudia West of Phyto Design and installed by EMGs.

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MASTER GARDENER COURSE

January 18 - May 10, 2019
Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.
Fee: \$425

100% Live Online - Topics Include:
 Composting • Pests • Berries
 Fruit Trees • Sustainable Landscape Design
 Raingardens • Lawn Care • Vegetables



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Lectures, homework,
final exam.

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40 hours of hands-on
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*Course-only option: No volunteer service requirement, receive a Vermont Certificate of Home Horticulture. Fee: \$475

DETAILS & REGISTRATION: 802-656-9562 master.gardener@uvm.edu
go.uvm.edu/emg
To request a disability-related accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Beret Halverson at 802-656-1777 by December 21, 2019 so we may assist you.
Registration Deadline: January 16, 2019

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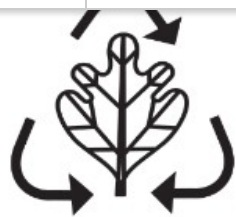
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2018 Compost Course Concludes

Thirty nine students passed the fall 2018 Master Composter Course.
Congratulates to all of our new graduates!

Twenty four of those students are going on to become Master Composter volunteer interns.
Please be sure to extend a warm welcome to our new interns!



**GARDENING QUESTIONS?
WE'VE GOT ANSWERS!**

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Garden Helpline

The Garden Helpline 1-800 # is no longer in service. The operating phone number is **802-656-5421**. New postcards & magnets are available. Please contact Lisa in the office if you need postcards for **Ask-A-Master Gardener** tables.



Member Support Update

Cindy Heath the southern region's volunteer coordinator has taken over coverage of both the northern and southern regions. Going forward please contact Cindy for support if you have questions about: volunteering, volunteer projects, continuing education, member benefits, or chapters.

603-675-9123 | cindy.heath@uvm.edu



Helpline Wraps up for Season

Thanks to all of our wonderful Garden Helpline volunteers who ended the season by celebrating with cupcakes and soup at the annual wrap up on November 13th in Jeffords Hall on the UVM campus.

Advanced Online Training!

Ann Hazelrigg's
End of Season Summary
Plant Diseases & Pests
(Click on logo to play)



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Local Chapters Recognize Volunteers

Both the Rutland and the NW Chapters recently held their annual potluck and awards nights to recognize volunteers who have reached hours milestones. The NW chapter also recognized Virginia Haviland as the Master Gardener of the year. Congrats Virginia! Congratulations also to the following volunteers who have reached 1,000 hours of service; Kelly Wakefield, Donna Covais, Judy Nevin and Margery Salmon. Read more about star volunteers [on our website](#).



Save the Date!

Next year's Master Gardener State Conference will be held at Shelburne Museum in the Pizzagalli Center for Art & Education, on **November 2nd**.

Master Gardener Listserv Changes

On a trial basis we are migrating our listserv to one address in an effort to better connect Master Gardeners across the state. The new email will be uvmemgvt@list.uvm.edu.

The regional steering teams and composter listservs will remain the same. Active volunteers should look out for an email indicating that you have been added to the new listserv. Once this happens the old regional addresses will no longer work while we try this out.

If you have questions please refer to our [FAQ](#) or [Gardening Q&A](#) or [Volunteer](#), in the drop down under "Volunteer Listserv Guidelines."

Special Thanks to:

State Conference Volunteers:

Gail Kuhlberg, Dottie Sundquist, Sandy Kuehn, Helen Prussian, Paula LaPlante, Marie Porreca, and Steven Fellows.

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The Fourth Corner Foundation, Windham, VT

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