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## Master Gardener Training offered spring 2012!

**We have altered our training from two days per week for eight solid weeks in the fall to an easier spring timeframe that will fit into a busy working schedule! Spring 2012 classes are scheduled for two training days per month for four months.**

The course is composed of both individual and group learning activities. Classes will be held every other Saturday, March through June. Between classes, the individual work consists of on-line computer training using materials developed by WSU. This work can be done at home at your own pace. The Saturday classes will be devoted to whole group, hands-on activities in various locations in Grays Harbor/Pacific counties. Specific sites will be determined by the location of participants and location of resources needed for the day's topics. For instance, the last training class studied native plants at Lake Sylvia and vegetable/fruit gardening in Pacific County.

Participants will be actively engaged in the Master Gardener basic training course, learning about proper gardening techniques and sustainable gardening practices, completing assignments, interacting with instructors and peers both online and in face-to-face, hands-on learning activities. Topics include: botany, entomology, integrated pest management, pesticide safety, soils, fertilizers, composting, herbaceous & woody plants, vegetables, indoor/container gardening; landscaping; and plant pathology.

Students who successfully complete the course will become Master Gardener Interns. As Interns, each person must complete 60 hours of volunteer work in Master Gardener related activities, such as working at plant clinics, helping with the annual garden tour, home and garden show, committee work and many other activities. At the completion of volunteer hours, the person will become a Certified Master Gardener!

Certified WSU Master Gardeners are highly trained volunteers who share the art and science of sustainable gardening and WSU resources in home horticulture with the people of Washington, helping them with their gardening efforts. The biennial training of Master Gardeners in Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties will begin in March of 2012.

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**To request registration materials, send the following information to: [master\\_gardener\\_ghpc@yahoo.com](mailto:master_gardener_ghpc@yahoo.com)**

Include your name, street address, e-mail address, and phone number.

We need to receive your application before February 20, 2012 to ensure you have training materials.