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2027 Comal Master Gardener Application

Offered by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Comal Master Gardeners

January 13, 2027 - May 12, 2027

Conducted each Wednesday from 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Applications are accepted until the class is full

Course fee is \$ 300.00.

DO NOT SEND PAYMENT WITH THIS APPLICATION.

Application:

Complete this form, then print and sign it. Mail or deliver in an envelope to the AgriLife Extension Office addressed to **CMG Class 2027**, 325 Resource Drive, New Braunfels, TX 78132. You may also scan the completed form and email to Class2027@comalmg.com.

Name: Last: _____ First: _____ MI: _____

Preferred Nickname for Name Badge: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Home () _____ Mobile () _____ Work () _____

Email Address: _____

What is the best way/time to contact you? Please check all that apply.

____ Home Phone ____ Mobile Phone ____ Work Phone ____ Email ____ Best Time: _____

Place of Employment: _____ Occupation: _____

If you are retired, please indicate your previous occupation: _____

Other related experience or training? _____

Other special skills or talents? _____

Active in other volunteer organizations? _____

Goals in taking the Master Gardener training course: _____

How did you learn about the Comal Master Gardener training course: _____

If accepted for the Comal Master Gardener Training Program, I understand the following:

1. I am joining a volunteer service organization.
2. The training program begins with a mandatory orientation session on **January 13, 2027, and meets from 12:00 – 5:00 pm each Wednesday** continuing **through May 12, 2027**. On March 10, no class will be held. I understand I may not miss more than **two** classes and any class time missed must be made up on or before May 5, 2027.
3. To certify as a Master Gardener, **I must attend a minimum of 50 hours of approved education by May 5, 2027, and perform 50 hours of approved volunteer service by November 30th**. If all requirements are met by May 12, 2027 (Graduation Day), you will become a certified Master Gardener. If not, as you complete all certification requirements, you will be certified at the next general meeting following completion.
4. I must undergo a background check and sign a volunteer agreement. These two forms will be emailed to you after you have been notified of acceptance into the program.
5. I must read the assigned resource material and complete weekly, open book, take home quizzes. Additionally, a final exam will be given in the same open book, take-home format.
6. Children and pets are not allowed in the classroom or gardens when you are volunteering.

Applications will be collected, and notification of receipt will be sent to you within two weeks. A phone / in person interview will be scheduled. If you are accepted into the program, a \$50 non-refundable service fee is due within two weeks of notification to secure your place as a participant in the program. Make your check or cashier's check payable to Comal Master Gardeners Class 2027. The balance of the course fee of \$250, will then be payable by check or cashier's check on the first day of class, January 13, 2027.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The Comal Master Gardener Executive Board retains the right to review all applications to ensure the goals and objectives of the Master Gardener Training Program are met.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension provides equal opportunities in its programs and employment to all persons, regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, age, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in meetings are encouraged to contact the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office at 830-620-3440 ten days prior to the event so that appropriate arrangements can be made. The Texas A&M University System, U. S. Department of Agriculture and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas, cooperating.