



GEORGIA MASTER NATURALIST PROGRAM

AN ADULT ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

of the

WARNELL SCHOOL OF FORESTRY & NATURAL RESOURCES

and

THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

Overview – The Georgia Master Naturalist Program is a series programs (usually weekly) with specific environmental topics. The program is a combination of classroom lectures and outside hands-on learning. Total program time is 48 hours of instruction. Class size is generally limited to 24 people. Programs are usually offered on weekdays ONLY but some programs may be offered at other times. Contact the program in your area for details.

Topics – Topics could include - Introduction to Naturalist Programs, Ecology, Forestry, Wildlife, Insects, Water, Human Impact, Geology, Tree ID, Animal ID, Urban Ecology, Environmental Issue, and Agriculture. The topics are designed to teach participants about natural resource management, use, and conservation. We emphasize human use of natural resources through sound management.

Cost – Cost varies by host but is approximately \$300-\$600 for the course and may include learning material, logo shirt, logo nametag, recognition of completion, and refreshments. Students are responsible for their own transportation and lunch. Discounts may be available for members of the same family.

Information – For information on local classes, **contact** your local county extension agent (number on extension website or in the list below). For general program information, contact Dr. Mike Mengak (mmengak@uga.edu) - Warnell School-UGA.

NOTE – do not contact Dr. Mengak for registration. Registration is handled at the local, class level. CONTACT SITE COORDINATOR for registration.

Visit our website for more information (updated 15 September 2022).

<https://warnell.uga.edu/outreach/georgia-master-naturalist>

Tentative Classes for 2023 – All classes are reported by local site coordinator.

Location	2022 Dates	Contact Info
Athens-Clarke County Athens, GA	14 April – 9 June	Laura Ney Iney@uga.edu
Chattahoochee Nature Center Roswell, GA	Sep 2022 – May 2023	Christie Hill c.hill@chattnaturecenter.org
Phinizy Swamp Augusta, GA		Ruth Mead Ruth.mead@phinizycenter.org

Other programs may be available in your area. Contact your county cooperative extension office, local nature center, or Dr. Mengak for more information. Contact the site for registration – do not contact Dr. Mengak

Advanced Training for Program Graduates

Advanced Training for program graduates is not scheduled at this time. We update this page as information becomes available. We will contact graduates directly.