

Colorado State University Extension  
2019 NATIVE PLANT MASTER® APPLICATION

Applications are due to the Extension Office as soon as possible. Class acceptance is based on first come, first serve and if you can attend the entire class. Email your application to [Susan.carter@mesacounty.us](mailto:Susan.carter@mesacounty.us) FAX to 970-244-1700, or mail to: CSU Extension TRA PO Box 20,000 Dept. 5028 Grand Junction, CO 81502-5001. PLEASE DO NOT SEND PAYMENT WITH YOUR APPLICATION. If accepted, you will receive confirmation and class details including a total for fees that will be due prior to the session. Questions? Visit [www.conativeplantmaster.org](http://www.conativeplantmaster.org) or [www.tra.extension.colostate.edu](http://www.tra.extension.colostate.edu) or call 970-244-1834.

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Please PRINT to ensure you receive course acceptance materials.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

\_\_\_\_\_ Street City State Zip

E-mail Address (required): \_\_\_\_\_ County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please check the program for which you are applying:

**Take Course or Class.** Go to page 2 and complete Sections B and C.

Anyone may take *Native Plant Master Courses or Special Classes*, on a space available basis. There is no teaching requirement. All those successfully completing 3 NPM Courses will receive a Colorado Flora Certificate.

**Native Plant Master Volunteer.** Complete all sections below. Volunteer openings are limited and selection is based on demonstrated ability to educate others. If contacts are not made by **November 15**, registrants are billed for the fee difference.

To become a *Certified Native Plant Master*, one must:

1. Complete three *Native Plant Master Courses* in this or future years including passing certification exams.
2. Make a cumulative total of at least 30 educational contacts using information learned in NPM courses. Report on number of educational contacts made and volunteer hours by November 15 each year.

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**SECTION A:** (Native Plant Master Volunteer Applicants Only. All others go to Page 2.)

Natural Resource Agency You Work or Volunteer For: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you an employee or a volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact your supervisor to verify your involvement with this agency? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No If yes, who may we contact?

\_\_\_\_\_ Name Phone

In your current job or volunteer role, how many people did you educate in public programs last year?

Would be interested in becoming a trainer to teach Native Plant Master courses in future years?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Not Sure \_\_\_\_\_

**SEC. B: (All Applicants) - Check below courses for which you are applying.**

2019 Course Dates	Location	Times	Requires Prior NPM Course	Fee*	Check Here To Apply	Attending all 3 dates?
<b>Native Plant Master Courses – Open to all:</b> (Count towards NPM volunteer certification and Colorado Flora Certificate.)						
<b>Colorado National Monument (Course is 3 days)</b>	East Entrance- details will be sent- there will be some carpool from the entrance	Saturdays, April 13, 20, and 27. (Bad weather makeup day May 4) 8am-noon	Basic Botany Highly Recommended	Volunteer \$50 Non-Vol \$75		(Circle) Yes Or no
<b>Black Canyon of the Gunnison (Course is 3 days)</b>	Carpooling is organized Per Park request, South Visitor Center	Fridays, May 31, June 7, and 14. (Bad weather makeup day June 21) 10am-2pm	Basic Botany Highly Recommended	Volunteer \$50 Non-Vol \$75		(Circle) Yes Or no
<b>Grand Mesa (Course is 3 days)</b>	Carpooling, Skyway Ski Area More parking is available at this site than the others.	Fridays, June 28, July 12 and 19. (Bad Weather Makeup day July 26) 10am-2pm	Basic Botany Highly Recommended	Volunteer \$50 Non-Vol \$75		(Circle) Yes Or no
<b>Special Classes – Open to all:</b> (These do not count toward NPM volunteer certification and Colorado Flora Certificate.) & Other.						
<b>**Basic Botany</b> Highly recommended prior to above sites	CSU Extension, Mesa County Fairgrounds, 2775 Hwy 50 Grand Junction, CO	April 9, 2019 5:30-7:30 pm  *Guests welcome with fee & RSVP		Free if taking an above session/ \$10		
<b>**Basic Botany</b> Highly recommended prior to above sites	<i>Online – watch at home</i>			Free if taking an above session		
<b>Book Rental</b>	<i>Flora of Colorado, Ackerfield</i>	Rental per session area or purchase on own		\$10/ area		
<b>Demonstration Day W/ Native Plant tour</b> *Booth Space also Available. Contact Susan Carter	The Ute Learning Garden 2775 Hwy 50, behind the CSU Extension Mesa County office	May 18, 2019 9 am – 1 pm Includes Native Plant Tour- Time TBD		FREE Open to the Public		
<b>Discover Wildflowers Grand Mesa Walk</b>	Top of Grand Mesa, Meet at Skyway Parking Lot	August- TBD 8 am – 12:30 pm	Moderate Hiking	Free		
<b>For other local native plant classes look at the CSU Native Plant Masters website listed at top.</b>	Or Contact the Colorado Native Plant Society (CoNPS.org). Our area is in the Plateau Chapter.					

\*Accepted volunteers who educate others and report contacts receive a 33% discount. Do not pay fees now.

\*\*Basic Botany is optional but highly recommended for those taking NPM credit courses for first time or those wishing a refresher class. People that take the basic botany have an easier time in the main classes. \*Bad weather would be thunder or other severe weather, not just a sprinkle. We will email everyone if this happens. With earlier springs and drought the past few years, we are going to try to start a week earlier, adding a fourth week as a backup day.

Thank you for your interest in our Native Plant Classes.

**SECTION C:** (Participant must sign below.)

**If I am accepted for one or more Native Plant Master Courses or classes, I agree to:**

- Pay all fees prior to the session. (Please do not send payment now if you plan on volunteering.)
- Adhere to all Native Plant Master Program guidelines, including refund policies.
- Carefully read the waivers below, and if I agree, sign to indicate my agreement with these waivers:

I, the undersigned participant, exercising my own free choice to participate voluntarily in Native Plant Master® courses, classes or volunteer activities (collectively the "Activities"), and promising to take due care during such participation, hereby acknowledge that I have been informed of the nature of the Activities and that I am aware of the hazards and risks which may be associated with my participation in the Activities, including the risks of bodily injury, death or damage to property which may occur from known or unknown causes. I understand, accept, and assume all such hazards and risks, and waive all claims against the State of Colorado, The Board of Governors of the Colorado State University System, Colorado State University, Colorado State University Extension, Jefferson County, and their directors, officers, agents, employees and volunteers. I understand that I am solely responsible for any costs arising out of any bodily injury or property damage that I may sustain through my participation in normal or unusual acts associated with the Activities, regardless of whose fault may be the cause of my injuries or damages, EVEN IF CAUSED BY CARELESSNESS OR NEGLIGENCE, so long as the conduct which caused the injuries or damages was not grossly negligent, or willful and wanton.

Further, I hereby indemnify and hold harmless The Board of Governors of the Colorado State University System, Colorado State University, Colorado State University Extension, Jefferson County and their members, officers, agents, employees, and any other persons or entities acting on their behalf, and the successors and assigns for any and all of the aforementioned persons and entities, against any and all claims, demands, and causes of action whatsoever, whether presently known or unknown, of any person who suffers any injury, disability, death or other harm, to person or property or both, as a result of my participation in and/or presence at Activities.

I have had sufficient time to review and seek explanation of the provisions contained above, have carefully read them, understand them fully, and agree to be bound by them. After careful deliberation, I voluntarily give my consent and agree to this Release Form Responsibility, Assumption of Risk, and Waiver.

I grant permission to Colorado State University Extension, its employees or representatives, to take and use photographs/digital images, videotape, audio recording or quoted remarks, educational or other PowerPoint or presentation materials of me or prepared by me for use in promotional or educational materials. These materials might include printed or electronic publications, Web sites or other electronic communications. I further agree that my name and identity may be revealed in descriptive text or commentary in connection with the image(s).

I agree that the media may contact me to speak with me regarding my involvement in CSU Extension activities. I authorize the use of these materials indefinitely without compensation to me. All negatives, positives, prints, digital reproductions and video and audio recordings shall be the property of Colorado State University Extension.

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(Participant Signature)

(Date)

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**In order to help us best serve our participants and also help maintain federal funding for our program, please choose the category below that best describes you. Responses are strictly confidential.**

- Gender**       Male                       Female
- Race/Ethnicity**     White, Non-Hispanic       Black                       Hispanic Origin  
 American Indian       Asian                       Multi-Race

Colorado State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Colorado counties cooperating.  
Extension programs are available to all without discrimination.