

# Training Program

The Master Gardener Volunteer Program is a nationwide education program in New York State and consists of corps of volunteers who are trained by Cornell Cooperative Extension staff in science and the art of responsible gardening.

Master Gardeners are volunteers who enjoy gardening and using their horticultural skills and expertise to educate others. In return for their training, volunteers donate their time teaching the community about gardening and the environment.

For more information contact Holly Wise at (315)736-3394 ext. 125 or [hlw2@cornell.edu](mailto:hlw2@cornell.edu)

**Regional in-person training starting in Fall 2024 to early Winter 2025.**



The Parker F. Scripture Botanical Gardens at the CCE Oneida County Office that Master Gardener Volunteers maintain.

Check out the virtual Master Gardener virtual garden classes on the Cornell Cooperative Extension Oneida County YouTube Channel.

## Contact Us

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 [cceoneida.com](http://cceoneida.com)

## Cornell Cooperative Extension Oneida County

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**MASTER  
GARDENER  
VOLUNTEER  
SPEAKER  
BUREAU**



## About Speakers Bureau

The Speakers' Bureau of Cornell Cooperative Extension Oneida County has informative and lively presentations, specifically designed to meet the needs of the county. Master Gardner Volunteers and Extension Educators are available upon request to speak to your group.

Volunteers are involved in many aspects of educational outreach year round and are trained to provide accurate and timely information on a variety of gardening topics and environmental issues.

## Registration Information

Speakers Bureau presentations are scheduled on a first come first serve basis. Please contact us at least four weeks prior to your event. You will be contact when your event is confirmed. Cancellations must be made one week in advance.

To arrange for a presentation contact Holly Wise at (315) 736-3394 ext. 125 or [hlw2@cornell.edu](mailto:hlw2@cornell.edu)

## Presentation Topics

- Eco-friendly gardening:
  - Composting
  - Integrated Pest Management
  - Safe Pesticide Use for the Home Gardener
  - Tips for an Environmentally Friendly Garden
  - Gardening with Native Plants
  - Gardening with Pollinators
- Fruits & Vegetables
  - Vegetable Gardening Basics
  - Growing Food in Containers or Small Spaces
  - Growing Vegetables & Small Fruits
  - Eat Your Weeds
- Herbs
  - Herb Gardening
  - Easy to Grow Herbs
  - Herbal Chef or Cookpot
  - Herbs from Seed to Table
  - What's Brewing - History of Tea
  - Lady Lavender - All About Lavender
  - Harvesting and Storing Herbs
  - Herbal Folklore
  - Colonial Gardens - The History of Herbs in the Colonies

## Presentation Topics

- Ornamental Horticulture
  - Seed Starting
  - Pruning/Planting Trees and Shrubs
  - Pest Management Strategies
  - All About Daylilies
  - Growing Ferns
  - Gardening with Bulbs
  - Ornamental Grasses
  - Shade Gardening
  - Growing Perennials
  - Prepare the Yard & Garden for Winter
  - Victorian Gardens & the Language of Flowers
  - Magic in Your Garden - Stories with Flowers
  - A Fairy Garden - Legends of Flowers & Fairies
  - Trash to Garden Treasure

## Cost

A donation of \$30/presentation or garden tour is requested.

All donations are used to maintain the Parker F. Scripture Demonstration Gardens at CCE Oneida.