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Forsyth County Extension Office
5110 Piney Grove Road
Cumming Ga, 30040
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March 11, 2022

Dear Georgia Master Naturalist Applicant,

Forsyth and Cherokee County Extension are pleased to offer the Georgia Master Naturalist training program on eight consecutive Fridays, June 10 through July 29, 2022, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Master Naturalist program is an adult environmental education course developed by University of Georgia Extension Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources and delivered through UGA Cooperative Extension. Its purpose is to train adult citizen scientists to complement, enhance, and support the educational efforts of the local UGA Extension office.

Classes will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at strategically located facilities alternating between the host counties, as well as various field trip locations. Participants must attend at least seven of the eight training sessions to earn certification. Tuition for the 2022 Forsyth/Cherokee County Georgia Master Naturalist training is \$200 and includes all training materials, field trips, Master Naturalist name badge, and other training expenses. Payment will be due upon acceptance into the program.

Upon completion of the training, participants may apply to become a Master Naturalist Extension Volunteer (MNEV) and engage in community citizen science projects under the guidance of the county Agriculture and Natural Resources Extension agent. Because MNEVs work with the public as UGA representatives, candidates must complete and pass a background check, sign a volunteer agreement, and complete required annual training.

To be considered for Georgia Master Naturalist training, please complete the application form and return it to Heather Kolich at the address below by May 6, 2022.

Forsyth County Extension
5110 Piney Grove Road, Cumming, GA 30040

Sincerely,

Heather Kolich
Agriculture & Natural Resources Agent
UGA Cooperative Extension Forsyth County
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**Application for Georgia Master Naturalist Extension Volunteer Training Classes
Forsyth/Cherokee County Extension – Class of 2022**

Application deadline: May 6, 2022

Tuition payment of \$200 is due upon acceptance into program

Thank you for your interest in the Georgia Master Naturalist Training Program. Forsyth and Cherokee County Extension are pleased to offer this training on Fridays from June 10 through July 29, 2022. Please complete the application form and return it by May 6, 2022 to:

**Heather Kolich
Forsyth County Extension
5110 Piney Grove Road
Cumming, GA 30040**

Your Name: _____

Name as you wish to have printed on your Georgia Master Naturalist badge (please print clearly):

Address _____

City _____ Zip code _____

County _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

E-mail address _____

Are you a teacher or paraprofessional in a Georgia school? _____

If yes, what is the school name, county, and grade you serve? _____

In case of emergency, who would you like us to contact?

Name

cell phone #

Name

cell phone #

Master Naturalist Interest Survey

Please indicate the areas that interest you:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Ecology systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	Birds and bats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water quality & conservation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Forestry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Entomology	<input type="checkbox"/>	Native mammals
<input type="checkbox"/>	Native & invasive plants	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reptiles and amphibians	<input type="checkbox"/>	Human impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Geology	<input type="checkbox"/>	Local issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Soil conservation

1. Please explain why you want to be a Georgia Master Naturalist and what you hope to gain from this training.

2. Please describe any naturalist or conservation activities in which you have participated in the past.

3. Please list any previous volunteer work you have done. Specify organizations, type of volunteer work, and leadership roles you have held.

4. Please check the levels of education you have completed.

High school graduate
 Some college
 Four-year college degree

Master's degree
 Doctorate degree
 Other special certifications