

## Virginia Beach Master Gardener Training

The Master Gardener Program is for you **IF** you are among the many Virginia Beach residents who love to garden but would like to learn more.

To become a Master Gardener, everyone must attend an orientation meeting and complete the 50-hour Master Gardener training. A program has been established to provide both novice and experienced gardeners a basic background in horticulture. If you would like information on becoming a Master Gardener with the City of Virginia Beach you **must** attend one of the public orientations. The sessions will be offered on May 7 and May 12, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon in the Conference Room of the Virginia Beach Agriculture Building. Pre-registration is not necessary, and you have the option of which class you would like to attend. Applications will be distributed at the end of each session.

Master Gardener training will be September 15 – November 5, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. All classes will be held either in the Agriculture Conference Room or at the Hampton Road Agriculture Research Center.

After the course, the Master Gardener interns have a full year to volunteer 50 hours in order to complete their training and to be recognized as official Master Gardeners. If you are interested in learning more about the program please visit our website at [www.vbmg.org](http://www.vbmg.org) or call the Extension Office at 385-4769.

\*\*\*Public Orientation will be held at:  
City of Virginia Beach  
Virginia Beach Agriculture Building  
2449 Princess Anne Road  
Municipal Center, Building 14  
Virginia Beach, VA 23456