#### MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER 2025 TRAINING COURSE

### **AGENDA**





APRIL - AUGUST 2025

#### **Registration Required**



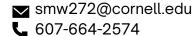


TIME: VARIES- ZOOM & IN-PERSON

Course Fee: \$100

DATE & TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
Wednesday, April 30th 6 - 8 pm ZOOM Class	<ul> <li>6-6:30 Introductions in person &amp; Brief Final Action Projects Explanation</li> <li>6:30-7:30 - Community Gardens, Community and Volunteer Engagement, and Adult Learning</li> <li>7:30-8 Questions &amp; Discussion</li> </ul>	Donna Alese Cooke, Cornell University Horticulture Specialist and Educator
Wednesday, May 7th 6-8 pm ZOOM Class	<ul> <li>6-6:15 - Questions</li> <li>6:15-7:30 Soil Health, Amendments, and Understanding Soil Analysis Reports</li> <li>7:30-8 Questions &amp; Discussion</li> </ul>	Joseph Amsili, Soil Health Specialist with Cornell University
Saturday, May 10th 9am-1pm IN-PERSON CLASS (SITE TO BE ANNOUNCED)	<ul> <li>Corning Community Garden Tour and Discussion. Site Assessments &amp; Soils Workshop.</li> <li>Bring your own garden soil to evaluate pH.</li> </ul>	Stuart Sammis, Steuben MGV & Corning Community Gardens Manager 11715 East Corning Rd, Corning, NY 14830
Wednesday, May 21st 6-8 pm ZOOM Class	<ul> <li>6:00-7:30 Setting up the Vegetable Garden- Planning for Success</li> <li>7:30-8 Questions &amp; Discussion</li> </ul>	Steve Reiners, Vegetable Specialist with Cornell University
Friday, June 6th 5:30 pm – 8 pm – IN- PERSON CLASS Anticipated location- St. Thomas Garden Bath, NY	<ul> <li>Seed starting and growing under lights</li> <li>Community Food Pantry Garden- seed starting, TBD.</li> <li>Veg family sort</li> <li>Garden planning</li> </ul>	Beth Honadle, MGV & T.B.D Ray Long, Garden Manager St Thomas food Pantry Garden
Wednesday, June 25th 6-8 pm ZOOM Class	<ul> <li>6-6:15 - Questions</li> <li>6:15-7:30 Finger Lakes PRISM Invasive Plants – ID, removal, gardening, and impact on the environment.</li> <li>7:30-8 Questions &amp; Discussion</li> </ul>	Samuel Beck-Anderson, Director of Invasive Species Program or other Invasive Educator/Coordinator
June 20th (Fri), from 8/9:00 am – 5:00 PM and OPTIONAL SATURDAY June 21 8:00-3:00 pm	Resilient Gardens Conference- Geneva, NY. See https://gardening.cals.cornell.edu/adult- programs/resilient-gardens-conference- geneva-ny/ for the agenda.	Cornell Agri Tech Jordan Hall, Room 216 (2nd Floor) 630 W North St, Geneva, NY 14456.

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## **AGENDA CONTINUED**

Schedule subject to changes. Emails will be sent with homework requirements as necessary.



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Wednesday, July 9th 6-8 pm ZOOM Class	<ul> <li>6-6:15 - Questions</li> <li>6:15-7:30 Pesticides &amp; Safety – Addressing Pesticide Options as an MGV &amp; How to Read Pesticide Labels</li> <li>7:30-8 Questions &amp; Discussion</li> </ul>	Dan Wixted & Michael Helms from the CCE Pesticide Safety Education Program
Wednesday, July 16th 6-8 pm ZOOM Class	<ul><li>6:00-7:30 Plant Pathology</li><li>7:30-8 Questions &amp; Discussion</li></ul>	Graduate students of Plant Pathology under Dr. Chris Smart, Cornell University
Saturday, July 26th 1pm-3pm IN-PERSON CLASS	Anna Wallis, New York State Integrated Pest Management Program's fruit IPM coordinator, will discuss tree fruit pests with a focus on identification and monitoring. Betsy Lamb, Ornamentals IPM Coordinator, NYS Integrated Pest Management, will cover biocontrol basics, with a few examples in orchards.	NYS Integrated Pest Mgmt Crooked Line Farm & Orchard 7780 Cold Springs Rd, Bath, NY 14810
Saturday, August 9th 9am -12pm IN-PERSON CLASS	<ul> <li>@ MGV Tess McKinley's Home</li> <li>"The Art of Flower Gardening" - Tour</li> <li>Colors and Design Considerations in landscaping &amp; cut flower production.</li> <li>Learn how to make a bouquet/centerpiece – selecting color, size, textures.</li> </ul>	Tess McKinley, Steuben MGV
Wednesday, August 13th – 5:30-8 pm IN-PERSON CLASS	<ul> <li>30-minute presentations of each person's FINAL ACTION PROJECT</li> <li>Completion Certificates</li> </ul>	Group Activities
Wednesday, August 20th 5:30-8 pm IN-PERSON CLASS	30-minute presentations of each person's FINAL ACTION PROJECT     Completion Certificates  ** 1 or 2 classes of final presentations will be held at the CCE Bath office depending on the number of students by the end of the course.	Group Activities





