

## Cost

The 2015 class registration fee was \$215.00. This fee included all six sessions, materials and handouts. The fee for the 2017 class has not been determined yet.

## Questions?

Contact Ginny Wanty at [wanty@anr.msu.edu](mailto:wanty@anr.msu.edu) or (616) 632-7873

## Topics/Dates

- Introduction to Conservation Theory & Practice
- Native Plants and Wildflowers
- Lakes and Rivers
- Native Trees and Shrubs
- Invasive Plant Species
- Dune Ecology

**Class dates and locations to be announced**

## Final Exam

At the completion of the six sessions, a take home final exam will be given. Participants will need to earn a 70% or better to be certified as a Master Naturalist.

## Attendance

Participants are expected to attend all six sessions.

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Ottawa County**

**2017 Ottawa County Waiting  
List Registration Form**

Master  
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## 2017 Ottawa County Waiting List

### Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Once placed on the MSU Extension Master Naturalist Program Waiting List for Ottawa County, you will receive the 2017 brochure and registration form sooner than the general public. Being on the waiting list does NOT guarantee you a place in the 2017 Master Naturalist program; it just means you will be one of the first to receive information about how to register and sign-up for the 2017 Master Naturalist program.

Mail this Master Naturalist Waiting List Registration Form to:

MSU Extension  
Master Naturalist Program  
775 Ball Avenue NE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

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### Program

This program is open to anyone who has an interest in the great outdoors! Participants in the Master Naturalist Program will gain a greater understanding of the natural environment and conservation techniques while learning the flora native to West Michigan. Throughout the program and subsequent volunteer opportunities, participants can take an active role in implementing what they have learned throughout their neighborhoods and in their own backyards.

### About the Instructors

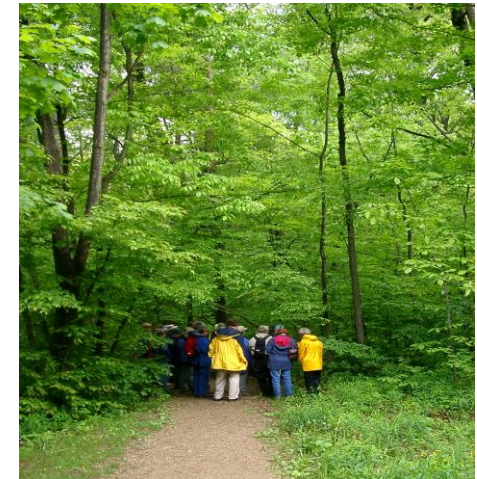
All classes will be led by trained educators and/or conservation professionals.

### Locations

The six sessions will be taught in both indoor and outdoor settings. The outdoor sessions will be led on foot in a wide variety of locations including well known parks, and native preserves throughout Ottawa County. Some locations may have steep or rough terrain. **These sessions will run from 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. one Saturday a month - April through September.** Automobile transportation is necessary and carpooling can be coordinated if needed.

### What to Expect

Students will be provided with a training notebook, books and resources appropriate for study. Students should wear appropriate clothing such as boots, hat, sunscreen, bug spray, long pants, etc. A camera, hand lens, field guides and binoculars may also prove helpful on lab walks. **All classes will go on rain or shine.**



### Volunteering

To receive certification as a Master Naturalist, participants must complete 30 volunteer hours in an approved conservation type of setting. Participants have two years to complete their 30 hour volunteer requirement.

MSU Extension Master Gardeners earn 25 Education hours.