



# GEORGIA MASTER NATURALIST PROGRAM

**AN ADULT ENVIRONMENTAL  
EDUCATION PROGRAM**

of the

**WARNELL SCHOOL OF FORESTRY & NATURAL RESOURCES**

and

**THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE**

Overview – The Georgia Master Naturalist Program is a series of programs (usually weekly) with specific environmental topics. The program is a combination of classroom lectures and outside hands-on learning. Total program time is 48 hours of instruction. Class size is generally limited to 25 people. Programs are usually offered on weekdays ONLY but some programs may be offered at other times. Contact the program in your area for details.

Topics – Topics could include - Introduction to Naturalist Programs, Ecology, Forestry, Wildlife, Insects, Water, Human Impact, Geology, Tree ID, Animal ID, Urban Ecology, Environmental Issue, and Agriculture. The topics are designed to teach participants about natural resource management, use, and conservation. We emphasize human use of natural resources through sound management.

Cost – Cost varies by host but is approximately \$300-\$500 for the course and includes learning material, logo shirt, logo nametag, certificate of completion, and refreshments. Students are responsible for their own transportation and lunch. Discounts may be available for members of the same family.

Information – For information on local classes, contact your local county extension agent (number in the phone book or in the list below). For general program information, contact Dr. Michael Mengak, Warnell School, Phone: 706-583-8096, Email: ([mmengak@uga.edu](mailto:mmengak@uga.edu)).

Visit our website for more information (updated 4 January 2018).

<http://www.warnell.uga.edu/outreach/georgia-master-naturalist.php>

## **Tentative Classes for 2019:**

Location	2018 Dates	Contact Info
Chattahoochee Nature Ctr. Roswell, GA	Sep 2019 – May 2020 (monthly -2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)	Tom Howick 770.992.2055
Elachee Nature Center Gainesville, GA	29 Mar – 7 Jun	Peter Gordon 770.535.1976
Liberty County Extension Hinesville, GA	15 Feb – 9 April	Ashley Hopper 912.876.2133
Phinizy Swamp Augusta, GA	5 Mar – 16 May	Ruth Mead 706.796.7707

Other programs may be available in your area. Contact your county cooperative extension office or Dr. Mengak for more information.

## **Advanced Training for Program Graduates**

Advanced Training for program graduates will be in late May 2019 and held in Douglas County, GA. We update this page as information becomes available. We will contact graduates directly.

