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## WILD LEARNING... WILD POSSIBILITIES...



### THE MASTER CONSERVATIONIST PROGRAM...

gives Iowans hands-on *interaction* with the diversity of Iowa's natural resources. The program teaches about their wildlife and plant communities, and provides accurate information on a broad range of conservation issues and topics.

### THE PURPOSE...

is to provide Iowans with the resources to make informed, intelligent choices for a sustainable *lifestyle*. "Mastering" is a journey, and this course is the first step.



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### THE PEOPLE...

are welcome from all backgrounds and ages. They are Iowans who share an interest in preserving Iowa's natural resources, and a willingness to *learn* how they can contribute to their community and their environment.

### THE EXPERIENCE...

is unique and adaptable for each individual. The participants receive at least 32 hours of indoor and outdoor hands-on education led by trained professionals in their field. Each session provides information on topics including:

- *sustainable agriculture and land use*
- *physical environment*
- *wildlife diversity*
- *ecological principles*
- *woodlands*



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- *prairies and grasslands*
  - *wetlands and waterways*
  - *energy use and waste reduction*

The range of topics provides *information* that can be useful both in service to the community and in their own backyards.

### THE LIFESTYLE...

is about *applying* what is learned to the everyday. Each participant is asked to contribute at least 32 hours of volunteer service upon completion of the course. Previous activities have included *prairie planting and seed harvesting, water quality testing, wildlife monitoring, staffing conservation centers, and conducting educational programs for youth and adults*.



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## THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS...

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## THE TESTIMONY...

"If you have an interest in the *world* around you, the birds in your backyard, the water you swim and fish in...the wildlife, trees and plants you see, I urge you to take this course."

– MCP Graduate, Waterloo



## PROGRAM SPONSORS...

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## MASTER CONSERVATIONIST PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

Make registration checks payable to  
**Boone County ISU Extension**

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

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

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Class sessions:  
**Thursday evenings from  
6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**

Dates are:  
**June 5, 12, 19, 26  
July 10, 17, 24  
and  
Saturday, July 12  
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

- Register by mail or in person on a First-come first-served basis to the Boone County ISU Extension Office  
603 Story Street  
Boone, IA 50036
- Class size limited to 30.
- Minimum age is 18.
- Registration fee is \$35.00
- Deadline for registration is May 28.

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# Master Conservationist

Planting the seeds of conservation in Iowa

Add quality water and see change sprout & blossom