

Spotlight on

Buchanan County Master Gardeners

Earn up to six of the required ten education hours today.

Who are we?

Master Gardeners come from a variety of backgrounds. They are passionate about serving their communities and sharing gardening best practices.

They have completed the required Master Gardener training and share their time and expertise as volunteers in community gardens, city beautification projects, farmers markets, and more.

Master Gardener Mission

The mission of the Iowa State University Extension Master Gardener Program is to provide current, research-based, home horticulture information and education to the citizens of Iowa through programs and projects.

Through their participation in educational activities, Master Gardeners also increase their own personal knowledge in horticulture. Master Gardeners extend Iowa State University Extension's consumer horticulture education programs through volunteer activity.

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Independence, IA 50644

Hosted by the

Buchanan County
Master Gardeners

16th Annual

Gardening Symposium

Saturday, February 25, 2023

8:30 am to 3:30 pm

First Presbyterian Church

116 6th Ave NW

Independence, IA 50644



Vendors

Vendor shopping open to the public

Door Prizes & Silent Auction

Must be present to win

Registration Information

- Registration: \$30 by Feb 14, 2023
\$35 after Feb 14, 2023
- Light breakfast & lunch included
- Limited to 120

Program/Speakers

8:30

Registration and light breakfast

9:00-9:45

Impact of Climate Change on Trees

Alex Hoffman
DNR Forester, Buchanan County

10:00-10:45

Landscaping - Small Areas, Sun/Shade, Use of Yard Art

Keith Kovarik
K&K Gardens, Hawkeye

Break-out/ Lunch

Choose one session opposite lunch

11:00-11:45

Tips on Starting Vegetables for your Garden

Neal Beck
Becks' Wapsie Fresh Produce
& Greenhouse, Fairbank

12:00-12:45

Southern and Black Ethnic Gardening

Shaffer Ridgeway
Southern Goods, Waterloo

1:00-1:45

Pruning Perennial Shrubs and Plants

Justin Myers
Cedar River Garden Center, Palo

2:00-2:45

Succulents: What's New and How to Incorporate Them Into the Garden and Containers

Josh Spece
In the Country Garden and Gifts,
Quasqueton

3:00 Closing/Evaluation and Silent Auction Results

Hours

Buchanan County Master Gardeners annually volunteer over 1500 hours per year in a variety of projects and community education opportunities.

- Lee Mansion Victorian Gardens
- Hazleton City Park & Veterans Park
- Agnes Mathilda Garden at Cedar Rock State Park
- Produce donation to the food pantry
- Prairie Pioneer Schoolhouse
- Jakway Forest County Park
- Cedar Valley Hospice Garden
- Rowley Parks

This is just a portion of the projects the Master Gardeners maintain throughout the seasons.

In addition to all their volunteer work the Buchanan County Master Gardeners obtained nearly 400 continuing education hours, keeping their high standard of knowledge up to date.

2023 Buchanan County Master Gardener Public Gardening Symposium Registration Form

Name: _____

Address (including City/Zip): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please choose one of the breakout sessions opposite lunch:

____ Tips on Starting Vegetables for your Garden Southern and Black Ethnic Gardening No Preference

Payment must accompany registration form (\$30 by Feb. 14 or \$35 thereafter)

Please make checks payable to: Buchanan County Extension
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