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Classes are held at the U of A Cooperative Extension, Maricopa County office, 4341 E Broadway Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85040.

Master Gardener volunteers provide gardening information based on University of Arizona research specific to the low desert climate, soils, and plant materials. These efficient gardening practices reduce the use of water, pesticides, fertilizers, and time as well as minimize water contamination and green waste. In addition, they maximize food production and create energy savings by using appropriate shade trees and landscape plantings. These practices result in healthy plants, healthy people, and a healthy environment.

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Public workshops taught by Maricopa County Master Gardeners

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The mission of the Maricopa County Master Gardeners is to teach people to select, place and care for plants in an environmentally responsible manner based on research specific to the low desert.
WEEDS
Instructor: Kelly Young
August 20
One thing is for certain in the Valley of the Sun --- if you have even a square inch patch of soil, you likely have weeds! Come and learn from our County horticulture extension agent as she takes you through a guided tour of the types of weeds which invade our gardens each year, how best to wage the battle, and how to prevent them from showing up in the first place! Attendees are encouraged to bring their weeds of choice to the class.

BACKYARD CHICKENS
Instructor: Carolyn Hills
October 1
FORYOUR GARDEN
Learn everything you need to know to incorporate chickens into your backyard garden. Kitchen scraps and garden leftovers, recycled through your hens, become useful eggs for your family and manure for your garden. This comprehensive class teaches how to properly care for your hens through their entire life cycle, including recommended breeds, city codes, coop design, basic tools and equipment, feeding guidelines, and how to help them through our super hot, low-desert summers.

WILDFLOWERS
Instructor: Judy Curtis
September 17
Would you like to recreate the beautiful wildflower landscapes you see on the hillsides? You can! Let us show you how, where, and when to plant for a glorious show next Spring. With instruction and generous Spring rains, you will enjoy beautiful blooms and plenty of color.

PERMACULTURE
Instructor: Doreen Pollack
October 15
This introductory course into Permaculture will demystify the term and reveal the key to creating ecological systems. Think edible gardens, rainwater harvesting, composting, backyard fruit tree orchards, natural pest and weed control. This session will also show you how to begin to observe your property to identify what you can do to create a more sustainable environment. Come learn how to replicate nature and reduce the use of outside resources, time and money!

FALL HERB GARDENING
Instructor: Carolyn Hills
October 29
Fall is our premier herb planting season in the Low Desert. Learn how to prepare your soil, how to plant and where to place your herb plants, which varieties do best in our climate, and how to care for herbs in your desert landscape. The class will include a tour of the Demonstration Garden onsite.

PASSIVE RAINWATER HARVESTING
Instructor: Summer Waters
November 19
Are you looking to gain some experience with rainwater harvesting before you try it out on your own yard? At this hands-on event, you'll learn the basics of passive rainwater harvesting from the Water Resources Extension Agent for Maricopa County as well as other experts. This event is part of the Outdoor Water Conservation Demonstration Area project at the University of Arizona Maricopa County Cooperative Extension. Registrants will have a direct impact on the outcome of the project by helping us implement berms, swales, and other passive rainwater harvesting techniques to direct water to existing vegetation on-site. Learn how small changes in the physical characteristics of the landscape can allow more rainwater to stay on your property and percolate into the ground and be utilized by vegetation.