



# Northeast Ohio MASTER RAIN GARDENER Course



This Master Rain Gardener Program will teach you how to install rain gardens on a residential scale. Rain gardens naturally manage stormwater by infiltrating precipitation and allowing it to soak into the ground rather than sending it directly to storm sewers and nearby streams untreated. Experienced instructors will provide customized feedback which will enable you to design and install a rain garden. Topics will include site assessment, soil analysis, design, construction, plant selection, mulching, and maintenance. This five-week course is open to residents and landscape professionals in Northeast Ohio and can be taken in-person or online. Each course offers a two-track option, where participants can choose to receive a residential or a professional Master Rain Gardener certification. Both residential track and professional track graduates will receive a Master Rain Gardener t-shirt, yard sign, and a certificate of completion. Professionals will also have to option to be listed on a public website of Northeast Ohio Professional Master Rain Gardeners.

**You have 4 chances to take the course this year!**

**Winter Online Course:** Begins Monday, February 3 with a final in-person class on Saturday, March 21.

**Late Summer In-Person Course:** Thursdays 10:00am-2:00pm, from July 30 through August 27 held at Holden Arboretum, 9550 Sperry Rd, Kirtland, OH 44094.

To register visit [crwp.org](http://crwp.org).

Email Laura Bonnell with questions at [lbonnell@crwp.org](mailto:lbonnell@crwp.org) or 440-975-3870 ext. 1002.

**Early Summer In-Person Course:** Wednesdays 9:30am-2:00pm, from May 20 through June 17 held at the Mayfield Village Community Room, with one course held at North Chagrin Nature Center.

**Summer Online Course:** Begins Friday, July 17 with a final in-person class on Saturday, August 22.

To register visit [www.cuyahogawcd.org/events/2020/07/17/master-rain-gardener-online-program](http://www.cuyahogawcd.org/events/2020/07/17/master-rain-gardener-online-program).

Email Elizabeth Hiser with questions at [ehiser@cuyahogawcd.org](mailto:ehiser@cuyahogawcd.org) or (216)-524-6580 ext. 1002.

**For participants seeking professional certification, please plan on attending one of the mandatory field days that will be held on Saturday, May 2 and Saturday, September 12.**



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