



Texas Master Naturalist 2021 Annual Meeting October 21st-24th

2021 Annual Meeting Video Contest

Summer is here! Take advantage of this time to **Create a New Video**, highlighting your experience as a Texas Master Naturalist, member or trainee, or showcase your chapter at work. The Video Contest is also a great opportunity to develop some additional chapter marketing material that can be used on social media or on chapter websites after the Annual Meeting.

Videos will be judged within the following **THREE** categories:

- **Experience as a Trainee**
- **Experience as a Master Naturalist**
- **Texas Master Naturalist Chapter At Work** – can highlight chapter projects, new class, experience as a trainee or Master Naturalist, recruitment, chapter anniversary celebrations or partnerships efforts.

Submission: Submission will be done by uploading an **.mp4 or YouTube ready video file** to the TXMN State Website (<https://txmn.tamu.edu/2021-video-contest/>) or uploading the video to a personal or chapter YouTube channel (with preference given to sharing the original video file through the website form). Email Mary Pearl Meuth if there are any questions on submission.

Deadline: The deadline for submitting videos this year will be **Friday October 1st, 2021**. A judging period will take place thereafter and the top videos will be announced and receive a monetary award ranging from \$100 to \$500 at the Virtual Annual Meeting Awards Ceremony.

Length: Set your goal for 1 minute, 30 seconds to 3 minutes max (1:30:00 – 3:00:00).

What File Type to Submit: File formats accepted: MOV, MP4, MPEG-4, WMV.

Topics or Themes:

- What is a Master Naturalist?
- Your certification experience: basic and advanced training
- Frequently asked questions
- Funniest questions or experiences in the field
- How to videos (creating a wildscape, building a fountain, planning a trail)
- Who is a Master Naturalist Video – can be composed of oral history interview videos, interviews of current members or from new class members.
- What Nature Means to Me? In this unprecedented moment of pandemic, reflect upon what nature means to you and what benefits it provides you, especially in times like these.

Video Must Have's:

- Videos must feature the Texas Master Naturalist program or several elements of the Program (TMN members, members wearing TMN gear, TMN name tags, clear mention of your TMN chapter and program are all great examples)
- Videos must reference (or be willing to add reference to) the TMN Program state partners of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

After the Annual Meeting, all submitted videos will be posted on the Texas Master Naturalist Playlist on YouTube, on our TMN website and used in our statewide social media outlets. See samples of past year's winners and submissions at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/txmnnaturalistprogram/videos>

Release the Director in YOU! Enter the Contest Today!