

OCTOBER 24 - 27, 2024 SAN MARCOS, TEXAS

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The **Texas Master Naturalist Annual Meeting** provides an opportunity for Texas Master Naturalist volunteers from around the state to gather, participate in hands-on educational seminars, and receive all their Advanced Training requirements for the year in one weekend. It is also an opportunity for program participants and supporters to network, share new ideas, and learn from chapters in different regions of the state.



Join us in **San Marcos** this October, where the balance between urban development and environmental preservation is an art form inviting residents and visitors alike to immerse themselves in a natural sanctuary. The city's commitment to sustainable living ensures that future generations will continue to marvel at the harmonious coexistence of humanity and the untamed beauty of its environment.



ABOUT

MISSION

The Texas Master Naturalist Program is sponsored statewide by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. The program's mission is to develop a corps of well-informed volunteers to provide education, outreach, and service dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources and natural areas within their communities for the State of Texas.



The program currently supports 16,000+ volunteers in 49 local chapters across the state. TMN volunteers provide over 470,000 hours of service annually. Many communities and organizations rely on these volunteers for implementing youth education programs; for operating parks, nature centers, and natural areas; and for providing leadership in local natural resource conservation efforts.





SKELETON AGENDA

Thursday 10/24

Pre-Event Field Sessions

Afternoon Concurrent Advanced Training Sessions

Chapter Leadership Reception

Welcome Dinner

Friday **10/25**

Field Sessions

Concurrent Advanced Training Sessions

Keynote Address

Saturday **10/26**

Field Sessions

Concurrent Advanced Training Sessions

Annual Awards Reception & Dinner

Sunday **10/27**

Contest Awards

Post-Event Field Sessions

Conference Wrap up by Noon!

BE A SPONSOR

All sponsorships will receive special recognition through conference communication, flyers, announcements, and programs as follows:

Friend - \$150

Posted on Annual Meeting website

Ecologist - \$300

- All Friend level recognition, plus:
- Posted on conference hallway signs

Steward - \$500

- All Ecologist level recognition, plus:
- Posted on Annual Meeting app
- Recognition given during awards ceremony

Conservationist - \$1,000

- All Steward level recognition, plus:
- Complimentary Vendor Booth (optional)

Guardian - \$3,000

- All Conservationist level recognition, plus:
- Reserved table at Annual Meeting awards dinner
- Inclusion of collateral materials in attendee registration bags

Naturalist - \$5,000+

- All Conservationist level recognition, plus:
- · Organization highlight page on website

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To be a sponsor, please send the following information to the Texas Master Naturalist state office, either with the form below or via a separate email, to Mary Pearl Meuth (mpmeuth@tamu.edu):

Please make check payable to "Texas Master Naturalist Program" and mail to:

Texas Master Naturalist Program c/o Mary Pearl Meuth 534 John Kimbrough, 2258 TAMU College Station, TX 77843

Thank you for supporting the Texas Master Naturalist Program and our 25th Annual Meeting!

BE A VENDOR

We are once again hosting our event with the opportunity to invite a few key vendors and exhibitors with naturalist related goods, artwork, projects, plants, educational materials, and outreach from partnership organizations. The vendor booths will be located in the main conference hallways of the San Marcos Embassy Suites.

There will be ample time throughout the conference for attendees to browse the vendor areas, with breaks and socials scheduled to be held in the vendor space. We kindly ask that all vendors donate an item for the Silent Auction. The money raised from the silent auction will be used towards scholarship funds for Master Naturalists expressing a financial need to be able to attend our conference the following year.

Vendor Booth Space Information:

- Vendor setup will be on Thursday, October 24th from 1:00pm –
 3:00pm, with take down and move out by 10:00am on Sunday,
 October 27th. Vendors will be responsible for their own move in, set up, take down, and move out.
- Vendors will receive one 6' table and two chairs. Additional tables may be available if needed, potentially at an additional cost.
- Electricity and other display items can be discussed if needed, potentially at an additional cost. Wi-Fi will be available in the conference space for all attendees. Hardline and electric cord charges may be available, potentially at an additional cost.
- Please have all vendor applications emailed to Mary Pearl Meuth, <u>mpmeuth@tamu.edu</u>, by **5pm on September 15th**, **2024**.

VENDOR FORM

Vendor Fee

Commercial Vendors - \$300

Non-Profit Vendors - \$150

- Includes all coffee and break service.
- Registration required to attend technical sessions.

Name of Company/Organization
Items or Services Being Sold
Contact Name
Phone
Email
Silent Auction Donation Item

Please make all checks out to:
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