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### **CONNECT PEOPLE WITH NATURE—BECOME A MASTER NATURALIST**

The City of Fort Collins Natural Areas Department is seeking volunteer Master Naturalists who care about natural areas to share their enthusiasm with others. Volunteers learn about ecology, gain public speaking skills, and discover how to lead a variety of activities (including school field trips) on the natural areas. Master Naturalists also form lasting friendships while socializing with other volunteers with the same interests.

Volunteer naturalists' outreach opportunities are many and varied, and designed to fit all schedules. Class size is limited for this highly popular program. **Application deadline is March 07, 2017.**

The training program is FREE and all materials are supplied. Master Naturalists learn:

- basic ecology about local natural areas;
- teaching techniques, public speaking and interpretation tips;
- values and benefits that natural areas add to our lives;
- locations and secrets of little-known natural areas.

Training dates and times in 2017 are:

March 21, 9:00-1:30	April 6, 9:00-1:30
March 23, 9:00-1:30	April 11, 9:00-1:30
March 25, 9:00-3:00	April 13, 9:00-1:30
March 28, 9:00-1:30	April 15, 8:00-12:00
March 30, 8:30-4:00	April 18, 8:30-4:30
April 4, 9:00-1:30	April 20, 9:00-1:30

Read the [job description here](#). You *must* attend all training dates and times. Background check is required.

Visit <http://www.fcgov.com/naturalareas/volopps-longer-term.php> for the complete job description and application, or contact Sue Kenney at skenney@fcgov.com or 970-224-6118.

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