

Master Volunteer Entomology Specialist Training  
 September 26th-30th, 2011  
 Texas AgriLife Center, 17360 Coit Road, Dallas, TX 75252

**Monday, September 26th**

Time	Activity	Instructor(s)
1-1:30	Welcome and Introductions- Icebreakers	Mike Merchant/Carlos Bogran
1:30-2:45	Entomology 101	Mike Merchant
2:45-3:00	References- Books	Carlos Bogran and Mike Merchant
3:00-5:30	Insect Orders- Projector and Table Specimens	Carlos Bogran and Mike Merchant
Dinner	Optional	LaMadeline, Richardson

**Tuesday, September 27th**

8:00-8:45	What is in Your Kit- Give Kits at This Time	
8:45-9:15	References- Websites	Mike Merchant
9:15-10:15	Invasive insects	Carlos Bogran
10:15-12:00	IPM- Overview and Pesticide Toxicology	Mike Merchant
12:00-1:00	Lunch	catered
1:00-2:00	Beneficial Insects	Allen Knutson
2:00-3:15	Landscape and Ornamental Pests	Carlos Bogran
3:30	Depart for Connemara	
4:00-6:00	Connemara- Collecting Demonstration/ Grasshoppers and Aquatic Insect collecting	Allen Knutson, Carlos Bogran, Mike Merchant AgriLife Extension, Rob Cook EPA
6:00-8:00	Dinner at Connemara or Watters Creek	
8:00-10:00	Night Collecting @ Connemara	

**Wednesday, September 28th**

8:30-9:30	Entomology Projects	Mike Merchant
9:30-12:00	Specimen Preparation	All
12:00-1:00	Lunch	catered
1:00-3:00	Dallas Zoo	Tim Brys/Cindy Wahkinney
3:00-5:00	Butterflies Unlimited	Dale Clark
5:00-6:00	Return to Center	
Dinner	Optional	Zanata's Plano, or other local restaurant

**Thursday, September 29th**

8:30-9:45	Photographing insects	Mike Merchant
9:45-10:30	Collecting/Taking Pictures- Community Gardens	
10:30-12:30	Beekeeping and Pests/ Honey tasting	Janet Roe
12:30-1:30	Lunch	catered
1:30-2:30	Flies & forensic entomology	Sonja Swiger
2:30-3:30	Fire ants, Argentine ants, Crazy ants, Oh My!	Wizzie Brown
3:30-5:30	Specimen Preparation & slide show	Sonja Swiger, Wizzie Brown, Mike Merchant
Dinner	Optional	Whiskey Cake or other local restaurant

**Friday, September 30th**

8:30-9:30	Vegetable Garden Pests and Spiders	Wizzie Brown
9:30-10:15	Community Gardens- Dallas Center	Wizzie Brown
10:30-11:30	Urban entomology	Mike Merchant
11:30-12	Evaluations and send-off	Wizzie Brown/Mike Merchant