

Garden Mosaics



Gardener Story Form

Garden Name: _____

Garden Address: _____
(include street and number if available, or nearest cross streets if number not known)

City: _____

State/Province: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____

Name of Youth Program: _____

Name of Adult Contact: _____

Email address of Adult Contact: _____

Check here if you do NOT want your contact name and email address posted with your Gardener Story on our website.

Gardener Story Author(s) (if different than above): _____

Website Address (optional): _____

Name of Gardener interviewed: _____

Date of Interview

Month: _____ Day: _____ Year: _____

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Number of participants involved in Gardener Story interview:

_____ Youth

_____ Adult Educators/Volunteers

Write a Gardener Story covering the information below. The completed story should be no more than two pages single-spaced. Attach the story to this form if submitting by mail.

1) Gardener's Background (1 paragraph)

- ω Where is the gardener from?
- ω How did he or she get started gardening?

2) Plants (1-2 paragraphs)

- ω What plants does the gardener grow?
- ω How does the gardener use the plants? (for example, for medicine or food)
- ω How many people eat the produce the gardener grows?
- ω How much money does the gardener save by not having to buy the produce s/he grows?

3) Planting Practices (1-3 paragraphs)

- ω How does the gardener control insect pests?
- ω How does the gardener control weeds?
- ω What practices does the gardener use to enhance the soil?
- ω What watering practices does the gardener use?
- ω If the gardener has limited space, what practices does he or she use to save space?
- ω How might any of the gardener's practices be good for the environment?

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4) **Planting Tips** (*1 paragraph or a bulleted list*)

- ω What planting tips might the gardener offer to other gardeners?

5) **Culture and Gardening** (*1 paragraph*)

- ω How does the gardener's ethnic or cultural heritage influence his or her gardening?

Photographs

Please send us several photos for display on the website with your Gardener Story. You can send us digital or print photos (*see below*).

Submission Methods

1) **Online. We prefer this method!**

Visit our website—www.gardenmosaics.cornell.edu—and go to the Database section. Click on Gardener Stories, then Submit Your Form. Complete the online Gardener Story form, attach any digital photos, and submit.

OR

2) **Mail**

Complete this Gardener Story form and mail it along with any print photos, or digital photos on disk or CD, to:

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If you have any questions, please contact us at: gardenmosaics@cornell.edu



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