

The Massachusetts Nursery & Landscape Association confers the title "Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist" on individuals who have demonstrated a high level of competence by passing a comprehensive examination, and by fulfilling prescribed standards of performance and conduct. A "Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist" subscribes to a code of ethics which promotes high ethical standards, increased professional skills, and continuing education in the field of horticulture. Currently there are 270 individuals who have earned this professional designation.



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James Agabedis, Jr.	Minuteman Landscaping, Inc.	Marcia Chapman	R.F.Morse & Son Inc.
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Joan Ainsworth-Turban	Stewart's Nursery, Inc.	Alexandra Cherau	Belle-Terre Landscaping
Robert Akroyd	Greylock Design Associates	William Clarke	Perennial Solutions
David Alessandrone	Carroll County Landscape, Inc.	Candace Clay-Rankin	Home Depot
Keith Allen	Jordan Brook Nursery	Gray Coale	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Fred Anderson	Anderson Landscape Construction, Inc.	James Connolly	Northeast Nursery, Inc.
Robert Anderson	Garden Visions	April Conyers	Mahoney's Garden Centers
Bob Arello	Arello, Inc.	Heidi Cope	Stonegate Gardens
Nancy Askin	Puma Enterprises	John Coppola	The Scott's Company
Raymond Aubin	Attleboro Farm & Garden Supply	Norman Corigliano	Sitescape
Christine Bailey	Christine Bailey Landscape Services	Juliann Cormier	Shrewsbury Nurseries
Charles Baker	Baker Horticultural Services	Gary Corning	Heimlich Landscaping & Construction Co.
John Bardzik	Tarnow Nursery, Inc.	Stephen Corrigan	Mountain View Landscapes & Lawn Care Inc.
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Robert Beaumont, III	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.	Elizabeth Coughlin	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Jane Belanger	Celtic Gardens. LLC	David Crocker	Crocker Nurseries
Edward Bemis	Bemis Farms Nursery	Stephen Crowe	Sunshine Landscaping Co.
Richard Bemis	Bemis Farms Nursery	Heather Cupo	Plant Euphoria
Robert Bergeron	Snows Home & Garden	Glenn Cutting	Sudbury Nurseries West, Inc.
Seth Berman	Seth Berman Gardeners	Fred Dabney	Quansett Nurseries
Patricia Bigelow	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.	Steven Davis	S. Davis Design Associates
Christian Bilodeau	Acorn Tree & Landscape	Craig Decker	Craig Decker Perennial Gardens
Sean Bilodeau	Acorn Tree & Landscape	Gene Demsey	Essex County Ag School
Gregory Bilowz	Greeno, Inc.	Georgianna Desautels	Pine Ridge Design
Stephan Bloch	Schafer Nursery, Inc.	Edward Dinneen	Dinneen Landscaping Inc.
Michael Bonadio	A. Bonadio & Sons, Inc.	Jeffrey Doherty	Angel's Garden Center Inc.
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Crystal Boucher	Crystal Gardens Unlimited	Dennis Dowd	Landscape Development, Inc.
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Steve Bowker	Scott's Lawn Service	Edward Duffy	Beechwood Landscaping
Thomas Bradley	Emanouil Brothers, Inc.	W. Stephen Effner	Western Maine Nurseries
Erika Bradley Wilson	The Church of Jesus Christ of LDS	John (Jack) Elicone	John R. Elicone & Associates, Inc.
Russell Bragg	Underwood Shade Nursery	David Ellis	Roseland Nursery
Jonathan Briggs	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.	Barbara Emeneau	Gregory Lomdardi Designs
Paul Briggs Jr.	Briggs Nursery, Inc.	Eric Engstrom	Engstrom Tree & Landscape
James Brochu	Brochu Brothers Landscape	Thomas Featherstone	D.J. Salmon Lawn & Landscape Inc.
Joseph Brown	Tarnow Nursery, Inc.	Pattie Featherstone	Weston Nurseries Inc.
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Deborah Bulloch	Deborah Bulloch Landscape	Richard Finn	Weston Nurseries Inc.
Richard Bursch	Lakeview Tree Nurseries	Robert T. Fisher	Amherst Landscape and Design
Wayne Carboni	Carboni Landscaping	Kevin Fitzpatrick	Ward's Nursery
Alan Carlsen	Allmerica Financial	John Flanigan, Jr.	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Kevin Carroll		John Foley	Weston Nurseries Inc.
Beverly Cass		David Foster	White Cliffs Community Assoc.
Steven Chaffee	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.		

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Rose M. Frizzell	Highland Farm	Brian N. King	Forest Hills Cemetery
Linda Fuchs	Linda M. Fuchs	Martha Klassanos	Willow Farm Artistic Landscapes
Ruth Furman	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.	Andrea Knowles	Knowles Horticulture & Design
James Gallant	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.	Laura Kuhn	Laura Kuhn Design & Consultation
Edward Garvulenski	Natures Way Nursery	Warren LaBaire	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Gregory A. Georgaklis	Gold Star Wholesale Nursery, Inc.	Carl LaGrassa	Carl LaGrassa Landscaping
Byron M. Getchell	Northeast Nursery, Inc.	Pauline Lamb	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Dennis Gibbons	D.S. Gibbons & Horticulture	Richard Lassor	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.
Brian Gibbons	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.	Patrick Laughead	Laughead Landscape Company
Timothy Griffith	Fairwinds Landscape	Christopher Laughton	Laughton Garden Center
Seth Guinen	Horticultural Habitat	Jeffrey Lavoie	Second Nature Landscaping
Nigel Gurnett	Forest Hills Cemetery	Angela Lea	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Richard Hall	Hart Farm Nursery	John Lebeaux	Shrewsbury Nurseries
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Ben Hanelt	Lakeville Nurseries	Amanda Leigh	Amanda Leigh Horticulturist
Robert C. Harrington	Needham Public Works/Parks Dept	John Lemaster	Northeast Nursery, Inc.
Michelle Harvey	Lakeview Tree Nurseries	Elizabeth Lenahan	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Timothy Hay	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.	Molly LeVie	Joanne's Place
Nicole Marie Hayes	Sanford Ecological	Karen Lindquist	Dinneen Landscaping Inc.
Christina S. Healy	Perennial Favorites	Elizabeth Ludvik	New World Landscape & Design
Mark Heimlich	Heimlich Landscaping & Construction Co.	Roger Lusignan	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Todd Heimlich	Heimlich Landscaping & Construction Co.	Keith Macdonald	Bridgewater State College
Peggy Henden-Wilson	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.	John Magnant	Shrewsbury Nurseries
Sallie Hill	Greeno, Inc.	Paul Mahoney	Mahoney's Garden Centers
Denise Hills	The American Inn	Rick Malkasian	Rick Malkasian Garden
Larry Hindle	Evergreen Tree & Landscape Service, Inc.	Dennis Mareb	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.
David Hirtle	Weston Nurseries Inc.	Joseph Marshall	Michael P. Neath
Kevin Hollister	Hilltop Horticulture	Dexter Mason	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.
Daniel Holmes	Holmestead Nursery	Thomas Mauer	Mountain View Landscapes & Lawn Care Inc.
Paul Howard		Kenneth Mayer	Weston Nurseries Inc.
Keith Howlett	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.	James McBratney	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Bob Hoxie	Great Hill Horticultural Services	Brian McCluskey	R.E.Morse & Son Inc.
Kevin Humphrey	Humphrey's Garden Design & Landscapes	Joann McColgan	Nursery Services Inc
Lisa Huntington	Gardens by Lisa	Keith McKeone	Michael Talbot & Associates
Christopher Iannitelli	Town of West Bridgewater	Kimberly McKernan	Outdoor World
Dale Iott	Bemis Farms Nursery	Don McMahan	Lesco
Gordon Jaksa	Jaksa Landscaping	James McManus	Wagon Wheel Nursery & Garden Center
Aime Jakubowicz	The Country Club	James McSweeney, Jr.	Hilltown Tree & Gardens
Samuel Jeffries	Jeffries Landscape & Design	Joe Medeiros	Schafer Nursery, Inc.
Michael Jette	Michael Jette	Noeleen Meola	Weston Nurseries Inc.
Gail Jette	Morningstar Nursery & Landscape	Peter Merriam	Hilltown Trees & Garden
Daniel Johnson	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.	R. Wayne Mezitt	Weston Nurseries Inc.
Timothy Johnson	Estabrook Landscape	William Monahan	Woodlawn Cemetery
Gregory Johnson		James Moore	North Country Landscapes
Doug Keenan	Gold Star Wholesale Nursery, Inc.	Andrea Morawski	
Barbara Keene	Tree Specialists, Inc.	Peter Moretti	Stewart's Nursery, Inc.
Chris Kennedy	Kennedy's Country Gardens	Tracy Mullane	Four Seasons Flower Farm
Margaret Kenny	Flowers For Rent	John Murphy	Weiss Landscape Company, Inc.
Bob Kilroy	Gold Star Wholesale Nursery, Inc.		

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Dennis Murphy, MCH	Murphy Nurseries/ Bigelow Nurseries	Chuck Sherzi, Jr.	Plesuer Gyrdening, Inc.
Stanford Nantais	Fenner Brook	Michael Sicbaldi	Hampden Nurseries, inc.
Stephen Nappi	Lovell's Nursery	Linda Sironen	Sisu Gardens
Michael Newman	Lowden Savatree	Ansley Siter	Paxton Garden Tapestry
Dana Nicoll	Sassafras Nurseries	Kerry Anne Smith	Joyce Landscaping
John O'Hara	Weston Nurseries Inc.	Richard Smith	Mass Mutual Financial Group
Amy Olmsted	Ward's Nursery	Charlotte Smith	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Geoffrey Orbegoso	Weston Nurseries Inc.	Jeffrey Snader	Scott's Lawn Service
Susan Pardoe	Five Acre Farm & Greenhouse	Rip Sokol	Fourth Generation Nursery & Sales Co.
Katherine Parker	Katherine Parker Garden Design	Scott Stacey	Fairview Landscaping
Catherine J. Paulson	sea jane garden	Hope Sterling	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Leonard Peltier	Five Star Landscapes, Inc.	James Stewart	Stewart's Nursery, Inc.
Robert Perry	Heimlich Landscaping & Construction Co.	Jim Stucchi	Ahronian Landscaping & Design, Inc.
Kelly Perry	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.	Michele Sullivan	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Mark Peters	Forest Hills Cemetery	Darryl Sullivan	Ellen Poss
Daniel Plourde	Career & Technical Education Center	Karen Sutherland	Second Nature Landscaping
Robert Poluzzi, MCLP	Heimlich Landscaping & Construction Co.	Eugene Suzedell	
David Pope	Home Quarters Warehouse	Pete Swanson	
Adam Prata	A. Prata Complete Landscaping	Michael Talbot	Michael Talbot & Associates
Herbert Prew	Prew Landscaping	Brian Taylor	Taylor Landscape
Carl Quist	Mass Mutual Financial Group	Jack Teixeira	Chesapeake Nurseries, Inc
John Rakouskas	Five Star Landscapes, Inc.	Gerald Thomas	Ward's Nursery
Tim Ramey	Natureworks Landscape	William Thompson	Hines Nurseries
Skott Rebello	Harborside P.S.	Peter Thornton	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Janice Reilly	Gardens to Go	J. Tate Tomis	Tomis Landscape Co.
Christian Rezendes	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.	M. Gregory Trussell	Plowman Landscaping
Scott Richard	Gold Star Wholesale Nursery, Inc.	Michele Turner	Weston Nurseries Inc.
Kurt Richardson	Richardson Irrigation	Geoff Uva	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Derrick Rodgers	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.	James Vaille	Village Green Landscape Contr. Inc.
Melanie G. Roeber		Lynn Vennill	Shumway & Sons Tree & Landscaping
Michael Rogers		Jeffrey Verzone	Salt Box Nursery
Laurence Rohan	Weston Nurseries Inc.	Matthew Vetree	The Green Company
Selina Rossiter Hunter	Michael Talbot & Associates	John Viveiros	John Viveiros Landscape & Design
Tina Rovito Bemis	Bemis Farms Nursery	William Wait	Stewart's Nursery, Inc.
Aaron Rutz		Kevin Walsh	Walsh Design & Construction
Maria Ryder	Maria Ryder	Gregory E. Ward	Ward's Nursery
Michael Sahagian	MGS Landscaping	Ted Watson	Northeast Nursery, Inc.
D.J. Salmon III	D.J. Salmon Lawn & Landscape Inc.	Michael Weiss	Weiss Landscape Company, Inc.
Matthew Sanzone	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.	Warren Weldon	Plymouth Country Club
Michael Sarowsky	Hart Farm Nursery	Randall Wieting	R. Wieting Landscape Design
Mark Sawyer	Weston Nurseries Inc.	Bruce Wilcox	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.
Mark Saydah	Whole Earth Landscape & Design	Charles Wiley	Vineyard Gardens Inc.
Brian Scanlon	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.	Thomas Wilhelm	Desmit Associates
Richard Schnitzlein	Good Natured Co.	Jeffrey G. Willman	Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.
Barby Shaw	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.	Howard Wilson	Windy Hill Farm, Inc.
David Shea	Crocker Nurseries	Timothy Woollard	Garden House/Nolen Estate
Shawn Shea	Misty Hill Landscape Design, Ltd.	Veronica Wordell	Sylvan Nursery, Inc.
Paul J. Shea	Paul J. Shea & Assoc.	Joshua Wright	Garden Craft, Inc.
Matthew Sheehan	Kennedy's Country Gardens	Randolph Wright	Garden Craft, Inc.
		John Youngman	Arborway Gardens
		Mitchell Zakrzewski	Forest Hills Cemetery



“MASSACHUSETTS CERTIFIED HORTICULTURIST” PROGRAM

The “Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist” Program is a voluntary program to accomplish the following objectives:

1. To upgrade the professionalism of individuals in the field of commercial horticulture and the industry itself;
2. To increase the education and pride of green industry employees; and
3. To inform the public of increased industry professionalism and competence.

In order to apply for certification, an industry member must meet the following eligibility requirement:

Employment in the horticulture industry, except for seasonal lay-offs, for three or more years. (Full-time employment, not part-time employment.)

or

Employment in the horticulture industry, except for seasonal lay-offs, for two years for individuals who have successfully completed two or more years of a post-high school course in horticulture.

In order to become a “Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist” you must:

1. Submit a completed application to the “Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist” Board at the Massachusetts Nursery & Landscape Association, P.O. Box 387, Conway, MA 01341 and include the proper certification fee.
2. Achieve a successful score on the certification examination.

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3. Sign the “Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist” Code of Ethics and submit it to the Board with your application for certification.

The certification examinations are administered twice annually in February and August. Specific dates, times and locations are announced to applicants through the mail.

Certification is valid for one years. The certification fee (including initial examination is \$45.00 for MNLA members and their employees and \$65.00 for others. The re-examination fee is \$25.00.

Certification is renewable each year by means of earning five (5) maintenance credits and the payment of the recertification renewal fee of \$10.00. Maintenance credits will be awarded upon submission of an MCH Credit Reporting Form as follows:

Membership in MNLA or employment by an MNLA member:	1 point/year	
Membership in other horticulture associations or employment by such members.	1/2 point/year (1 point max.)	
Attendance at industry-related, full-day short courses or educational seminars.	1 point/day	
Attendance at New England Grows	1 point/day	
Service to MNLA:		
As an Officer	1 point/year	
As a Director	1 point/year	
As a Committee Member	1 point/year	
Service to other horticultural associations:		
As an Officer	1/2 point/year	
As a Board Member or Committee Chairman	1/2 point/year	
University courses in horticultural subjects	1 point/credit hour	
Training courses of horticultural associations of five or more weeks.	1 point/course	
Speaker at horticultural associations.	1 point/session	
Panel discussion participant at such meetings.	1/2 point/panel	(1 point max.)
Instructor at university in horticulture.	1 point/course	
Published articles on horticulture.	1 point each	
Pesticide applicators certification or license..	1 point/year	

This non-governmental, voluntary program to certify nursery industry employees as professionals is administered by a Board of “Massachusetts Certified Horticulturists” under the sponsorship of the Massachusetts Nursery & Landscape Association. Certification is not, however, limited to MNLA members and their employees.

APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION



MASSACHUSETTS CERTIFIED HORTICULTURIST

Application for Examination

Return to: **Massachusetts Nursery & Landscape Assoc.
P.O. Box 387
Conway, MA 01341**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

This application is for: Initial Certification Exam Retest of Exam (Date of previous exam _____)

I certify that the information contained in this application is true. I understand that falsification of information in this application is grounds for revocation of certification. I also authorize the Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist Board to contact employers or sponsors named herein for verification of information.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Employment Eligibility:

(Total of three years employment in the commercial horticulture industry, except for seasonal lay-offs, or two years if meeting educational requirements.)

Current Employer: _____

Telephone: _____

Address of Employer: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Job Title: _____

Dates of Employment: _____

Previous Employer: _____

Telephone: _____

Address of Employer: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

(Use separate sheet of paper for additional information, if necessary.)

Education Eligibility:

(Successful completion of 2 or more years of a post-high school course in horticulture)

Name of School: _____

Address of School: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Course Completed: _____

DEGREE EARNED: _____

DATES ATTENDED: _____

SIGNATURE OF _____

MAJOR INSTRUCTOR* _____

*OR DEAN OR REGISTRAR: _____

TITLE: _____

This application must be submitted with the proper fee and the signed Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist Code of Ethics no later than 10 days prior to the examination date. Exam confirmation as well as information on the test time and location will be mailed to the applicant.



Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist Code of Ethics

I HEREBY AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES AS A MASSACHUSETTS CERTIFIED HORTICULTURIST:

- 1. I will promote the highest ethical standards in the conduct of myself and my horticultural enterprise.**
- 2. I will make continued efforts to learn more about horticulture and improve my skills therein.**
- 3. I agree that, should my certification not be renewed or ever be revoked for any reason, I will not display any distinguishing emblems or titles or in any manner whatsoever imply that I am a Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist.**
- 4. I fully understand that, should I be granted certification, such certification is limited and must be renewed each year by the earning of maintenance credits and the payment of a renewal fee. I understand that my certification will automatically be revoked unless renewed.**
- 5. I understand that certification is granted by the nursery industry as recognition of knowledge and achievement for those who voluntarily qualify and is in no way mandatory. I understand that, upon certification, I am entitled to call myself a Massachusetts Certified Horticulturist and use the initials MCH after my name, as well as display the MCH emblem in all forms.**

I AGREE TO ALL THE ABOVE RULES WITH NO RESERVATIONS IN MAKING THIS REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION.

Signature _____ Date _____

Name of Applicant _____

(Please Print)