



JOB POSTING – HORTICULTURIST (Grand Entry Garden)

Posted Date: December 28, 2016

Position: Horticulturist

Supervisor: (Outdoor) Horticulture Manager

Post Until: position filled

Department: Horticulture

Pay Type: Full time, Hourly, Non-exempt

Job Description: Specific but not limited to the Grand Entry Garden, Urban Garden, New American Garden & Frog pond. Perform all duties associated with Maintenance, planning, designing and installation of outdoor gardens.

General functions:

- Responsible for horticultural care, maintenance, and development.
- Ability to use appropriate horticultural standards to maintain areas of responsibility at a 'Showcase level'.
- Stay current on horticultural best practices and introduce these into the Gardens where appropriate.
- Ability to properly use and apply fertilizers, pesticides, and integrated pest management (IPM).
- Ability to design, plan, organize and execute daily and seasonal activities to maintain Gardens is vital.
- Assist with seasonal snow & ice removal.
- Ability to work alone or as a team with emphasis on working cooperatively and effectively with other associates.
- Experience with large equipment operation is necessary with an ability to learn.
- Experienced with power equipment and the ability to learn.
- Assist other departments as required
- Ability to coach, supervise and work with seasonal staff and volunteers.
- Ability to follow direction and prioritize.
- Some experience with irrigation systems or the ability to learn.
- Good organizational skills/prioritization skills.
- Landscape design capabilities and experience necessary.
- Basic experience with public speaking, ability to teach.
- Grower and polyhouse operations knowledge and the ability to learn and produce a quality plant.
- Other related duties as assigned by horticulture management.
- Strong moral and ethical values and a professional demeanor.
- Embrace the fact we are a non-profit institution that serves the public and that you will work with a broad and diverse group of associates, volunteers, and general public.

Education: Four-year degree in Horticulture.

Experience: At least 3 years of experience with some supervisory experience. Knowledge of proper Horticulture practices.

Specialized knowledge, Licenses: Superior knowledge of annuals, perennials, and basic herbaceous plants with some knowledge of tropicals is necessary. Knowledge of and experience with container gardening.

IPM knowledge. Pesticide applicators license or ability to obtain one. Valid Michigan driver's license.

Working Conditions: Outdoor activities (all weather, any season), operation of various hand tools and power equipment, use and apply chemicals, ability to lift 50+ lbs. Occasional office environment. Flexible schedule including evenings, weekends, and holidays.

Send Resumes to: Director of Human Resources & Volunteers, hr@meijergardens.org

Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park is an EOE.

All candidates are required to submit to our background and drug screening process.