



JOB POSTING – SEASONAL GARDENER & SPECIALIZED SEASONAL GARDENER

Posted Date: December 29, 2016

Position: Seasonal Gardener, Specialized Seasonal Gardener

Supervisor: Horticulture Manager

Post Until: positions filled

Department: Horticulture

Pay Type: Full-time, seasonal, hourly, non-exempt

Schedule: April/May through mid/late August

- Seasonal Gardener: Some work/hands on experience preferred working in some facet of the green industry with a green industry field of study.
- Specialized Seasonal Gardeners: Turf grass Management, Plant Records Management, Irrigation Management—Primary responsibilities in 1 of these 3 key areas with secondary responsibilities Gardens wide.

Position Overview:

The Seasonal Gardener (Intern) will assist with the maintenance of indoor and outdoor gardens and displays. The work schedule will include a rotation of weekends and holidays, which will involve some greenhouse, grounds maintenance and landscaping responsibilities. 40 hours per week (up to 12-16 weeks). Beginning April to May and ending mid to late August.

Responsibilities: (include but not limited to)

- Work with permanent horticulture staff to coordinate and carry out daily tasks.
- Ability to operate power equipment and machinery.
- Supervise, train, lead volunteers & assist guests.
- Assist with maintenance and installation of indoor and outdoor gardens under the supervision of the horticulture staff. (Weeding, watering, planting, etc.).
- Assist with indoor and outdoor exhibits and displays, as needed
- Work a rotation of some evenings, weekends, and holidays.
- Ability to carry out daily duties with limited supervision.
- Perform other reasonable related duties as assigned by immediate supervisor and other management staff as required. Some lifting, pushing, pulling up to 50 lbs. involved.

Qualifications:

- Valid driver's license & exceptional driving record required.
- Current University/College student in the biological sciences. (preferred)
- Good communication, problem solving & interpersonal skills.
- GIS and/or irrigation experience a plus.
- Customer Service, supervisory & public gardening experience helpful but not required.
- Those seeking College/University 'internship' credits as a graduation requirement will be given priority.
- Specialized positions require knowledge and experience within the chosen specialty.

Please submit your resume', letter of interest & references via e-mail to:
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Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park is an EOE.
All candidates are required to submit to our background and drug screening process.