

THE HORTULUS FARM FOUNDATION

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JOB DESCRIPTION

FULL TIME ESTATE GARDENER

Seeking a passionate, creative, and knowledgeable Estate Gardener to actively participate in the care and refinement of our very diverse series of gardens on our eighteenth century farmstead in the middle of Bucks County Pennsylvania. To understand more about the 24 gardens open to the public from May to November, the book "CHASING EDEN" has just been published and was written by the owners of the property.

Hortulus Farm and Gardens is located forty five minutes north of Philadelphia, ten minutes from New Hope, and one and one half hours from New York City in the bucolic countryside of Bucks County. Hortulus Farm is recognized by The Garden Conservancy as an Affiliate and is a member of the Greater Philadelphia Gardens organization.

Duties and Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- The daily care and maintenance of perennial, cutting and vegetable gardens including planting, deadheading, pruning, propagating, and mulching.
Mowing is taken care of by others.
- Recognizing and reporting any signs of pest, disease, or cultural problems.
- * This is a full time, all-year opportunity for a qualified, motivated self-starter.

Desirable Qualifications

- Horticultural education or demonstrated professional horticultural/gardening experience.
- Strong plant identification skills and knowledge of cultural requirements.
- Fine gardening skills and experience executing detailed work.
- Ability to work independently and with others.

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- Ability to prioritize tasks and work efficiently.
- * Ability to perform strenuous physical work and a willingness to work in a variety of weather conditions.
- Must be physically fit and able to lift at least 50 lbs.
- * Ability to properly use shovels, rakes, digging forks, hand shears, and loppers to complete necessary tasks.

Essential traits are a hands-on love of the outdoors and gardening, fitness for demanding physical work, unequivocal reliability, infectious enthusiasm and an inquisitive mind with the drive to learn and hone one's knowledge and creativity. The work environment will be beautiful and respectful and the salary and benefits will be fair and commensurate.

All enquiries will be treated confidentially and promptly acknowledged. The qualified individual should submit a cover letter describing their interest and contact information. Please include a resume or other description of your work experience and education.

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