



VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION

ADULT GUIDE

LOCATION: Brookside Gardens, 1800 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton, MD 20902-1369

NEED: Tours are scheduled upon request, but Adult Guides are essentially needed from April through June, and from September through November (occasionally in other months).

JOB DESCRIPTION: Adult Guides conduct public tours of Brookside Gardens.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- * Conduct tours of approximately one-hour duration to small groups of visitors (1-20 persons), describing Brookside Gardens' development, plantings, seasonal garden displays and services
- * Perform related work as assigned

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- * Strong background or interest in horticulture or related fields
- * Dependable
- * Ability to work well with the public
- * Ability to articulate with a clear speaking voice
- * Minimum age of 18 years
- * Ability to communicate effectively

TRAINING: A formal six-week training program in winter, one morning per week, usually March into April, plus occasional additional scheduled instruction and field trips during the year. Instruction includes training in horticulture, plant identification, tour guidelines, and information on Brookside Gardens in general.

COMMENTS: Volunteers have an opportunity to increase their horticultural knowledge, share their interest with Brookside visitors from near and far, and meet and socialize with other enthusiastic gardeners and guides. Adult Guide volunteers' service as a tour guide is an invaluable asset to Brookside's staff and to the public. For more information, call 301-962-1429, or email MCP-GardenVolunteer@mncppc-mc.org

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