



VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION

CONSERVATORY DISPLAY ASSISTANT - WEEKDAYS

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

NEED: Volunteers need to be available for 1 shift a week for a 4-hour shift from Tuesday through Friday, between 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Brookside Gardens is a nationally known public garden attracting visitors to its facilities 364 days per year. Volunteer assistance is needed to care for and maintain the professional quality and efficiency of the inside display area.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Volunteers are needed to assist the professional staff with the following, as assigned:

- * Deadheading and grooming a wide variety of plants
- * Sweeping walkways
- * Removing plant debris
- * Planting and removing seasonal displays
- * Weeding
- * Watering and/or fertilizing plants
- * Answering questions from the public
- * Politely reminding visitors of the Conservatory rules of conduct

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- * Fine motor skills
- * Ability to work well with people
- * Ability to listen and follow detailed directions
- * Mature and responsible work attitude with your coworkers
- * Minimum age of 18 years
- * Ability to perform physical tasks, including lifting 25 pounds, and bending and squatting
- * Ability to tolerate high temperature and high humidity during certain periods of the year

TRAINING: Volunteers will receive on-the-job training.

COMMENTS: Volunteers in this position will gain excellent and enjoyable experience in a variety of conservatory maintenance and gardening skills. Volunteers will be a valuable asset to the Conservatory staff and Brookside Gardens. For more information, call 301-962-1429, or email MCP-GardenVolunteer@mncppc-mc.org