

Job Opportunity

4-23-21 Horticulturist I, California Botanic Garden, Claremont, 5-23-21 deadline

Job Title

Horticulturist - I

Agency

California Botanic Garden

Location

Claremont, CA

Pay Rate

\$15/hr

Responsibilities

- Provides ongoing monitoring of assigned garden area for plant health, irrigation needs, and aesthetics.
- Cleans up and removes Garden debris including human generated litter as necessary
- Consults with the Garden Manager to devise a weekly plan of action and prioritize the needs of their area.
- Actively participates in the Garden's Integrated Pest Management program for the control of weeds and pests. Humanely traps rabbits, ground squirrels, roof rats, wood rats, and other garden pests as necessary or as directed. Applies pesticides and other chemicals following all federal and state laws, regulations, and safety policies as necessary or as directed.
- Plants, provides protection for plants, mulches, and prepares soil; weeds designated area using manual or chemical controls; prunes shrubs and small trees.
- Installs, operates, maintains and repairs irrigation systems as necessary or as directed.
- Provides supplementary hand watering as needed.
- Uses hand tools effectively.
- Maintains clean pathways and provides spot repair of decomposed granite paths.
- Operates power equipment safely and effectively (string trimmer, blowers, etc.) and provides operator servicing (filling and checking oil, gas, water, etc.) for same.
- Reports servicing needs, equipment malfunctions, breakdowns, etc. in a timely manner.
- Trains, supervises and works with interns and volunteers as necessary or as required.
- Assists with other aspects of the Horticulture Department and Garden operations as needed.
- Operates electric carts, including daily inspection for maintenance needs, weekly battery servicing and cart washing
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Strong knowledge of or ability and desire to learn California native plants.
- Professional gardening experience preferred.

- AA degree in horticulture preferred or equivalent work experience in horticulture practices
- Knowledge of use and safe operation of manual and power gardening tools.
- Ability to work effectively independently and in teams.
- Strong interpersonal communication skills.
- Basic computer skills including MS Office, excel.
- Valid California Driver's License required.

Application Mode

Please send your resume and letter of interest to Ashlee Armstrong, Grounds Manager, at aarmstrong@calbg.org

Application Deadline

5/23/2021

Contact for further information

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