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## **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

**JOB TITLE:** Gardener  
**REPORTS TO:** Botanical Garden Curator

The Pratt Museum will be hiring 1-3 gardeners to assist the Botanical Garden Curator during the 2021 summer season. This will be an intense and exciting season for the Pratt Museum gardens, as we will be restoring several of the Botanical Garden beds completely, as well as enhancing other aspects of the museum gardens.

### **KEY SKILLS:**

Applicants should be highly skilled in at least two of the following areas and broadly competent in the rest:

- Experience with landscaping techniques and tools, including wheelbarrows, shovels, picks and irrigation systems. This will be a manual labor position!
- Experience working all day outdoors, in any expected weather for Homer from April to November. This is an outdoor work position in its entirety.
- Experience with plant cultivation and gardening tools and techniques, including: transplanting sensitive species, bare-rooting, assessing and treating (non-chemically) pests and plant disease, dead-heading, seed-saving, bed preparation, prescribed soil construction (via amendments and structure) and managing irrigation.
- Native plant identification to species level, and familiarity with dichotomous keys and relevant local plant identification texts.
- Proficiency in correctly identifying and removing invasive plant species as well as native plants with “weedy” growth habits.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

March 31, 2021. Hiring decisions will be made in the first two weeks of April, with work expected to begin by the end of April, pending the ground thaw.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

Please email resume with cover letter to Yarrow Hinnant, Botanical Garden Curator, at [trailhealer@gmail.com](mailto:trailhealer@gmail.com) or mail hard copy to Yarrow Hinnant, c/o Pratt Museum, 3779 Bartlett St., Homer, AK 99603.

### **HOURS/COMPENSATION:**

This position will be part time, 16-24 hours a week, with a regular schedule including a minimum of two 8 hour days per week. Compensation is DOE, starting at \$18/hr.

