



JOB TITLE: Gardener/Educator

REPORTS TO: Botanical Garden Curator, Head Gardener

WAGE/HRS: \$20-25 per hour DOE, PT Temporary Position, April – Oct.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, April 5 **MUSEUM HOURS:** 10-6 daily

SCHEDULE: Varies seasonally, but typically 16-36 hours per week.

The mission of the Pratt Museum is to strengthen relationships between people and place through stories relevant to Kachemak Bay. We fulfill our mission by facilitating engagement between community members and strengthening understandings of our shared place.

POSITION SUMMARY: The Gardener/Educator is responsible for assisting the Botanical Garden Curator and Head Gardener in the maintenance and management of the Botanical Garden, Homestead Gardens, propagation beds, and other garden areas on the Museum campus, as well as the Forest Trails. They provide tours and deliver educational curriculum to visitors and groups.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Gardens and Grounds

- ✚ The Gardener/Educator is responsible for maintenance and management of the various garden areas around the Museum campus. This includes weeding, watering, transplanting, installation, deconstruction, and other tasks as outlined by the Botanical Garden Curator and Head Gardener.
- ✚ The Gardener/Educator may be responsible for directing and managing volunteers and interns in garden management.
- ✚ Assists the Facilities Manager and Botanical Garden Curator in maintaining the Forest Trails. This includes clearing the trail corridor, managing water flow and drainage along the trail system, building and maintaining trail structures, and developing and maintaining wayfinding systems.

Exhibits and Programs

- ✚ Delivers and may assist in developing educational curriculum for workshops, lectures, and tours, as directed by the Botanical Garden Curator.
- ✚ Provides scheduled and impromptu tours of the gardens for visitors and groups.

REQUIREMENTS:

Must be willing and able to work weekends (Saturday and Sunday) and holidays.



Knowledge of:

- Local flora, and a broad background in ecology and the natural sciences
- Plant cultivation, garden design, and garden management
- Youth education
- Guiding, interpretation, or otherwise presenting detailed information to the public in a charismatic and engaging manner

Ability to:

- Be friendly and accommodating when addressing visitors, members & Museum staff
- Work as part of a team and follow verbal and written instructions
- Work outside in the Alaskan environment between spring and fall

Qualifications:

- High-school diploma, GED, or equivalent preferred. Preference given to Bachelor Degree or higher in Botany, Ethnobotany, Horticulture, Ecology, Anthropology, Education or related fields
- Must be proficient in email communication, and with basic competency in use and sharing of spreadsheets, PowerPoint, and word documents
- Flexibility of scheduling and willingness to work on weekdays and/or weekends, and be available for key events and presentations

EMPLOYEE EXPECTATIONS:

As a **Pratt Museum** employee, *Visitor Experience Ambassadors* will:

- ✚ Further the Museum's mission, values, vision, and core commitment to the visitor experience, community engagement, and institutional relevancy for the future.
- ✚ Contribute to a positive organizational culture based on mutual respect, a spirit of collegiality, cooperation, and openness to many perspectives.
- ✚ Support the **Pratt Museum's** commitment to diversity, inclusion, equity and access.
- ✚ Participate in a culture of ongoing learning, collaboration, innovation, creativity, and community engagement.

HOW TO APPLY:

Applications must be received by Friday, April 5, 2024. Please provide a **letter of interest**, **resume** and **two references** to *Botanical Garden Curator*, Yarrow Hinnant, at yhinnant@prattmuseum.org.

Please note that a background check may be required for successful applicant.

