



MOORE FARMS

botanical garden

Horticulture Supervisor

Purpose:

To supervise the day to day operations of the horticulturists and garden crew on site at Moore Farms Botanical Garden.

Responsibilities:

- Oversee the day to day operations of the horticulturists and garden crew and provide them with training in proper horticultural techniques.
- Lead weekly and daily garden task scheduling and planning.
- Help assess and purchase equipment with the assistance of maintenance personnel and Director of Horticulture.
- Participate in plant collections management by assisting with research and selection of new plant material, installing accession tags, inventorying beds, documenting associated database information, etc.
- Collaborate with horticulture staff in planning of new garden designs.
- Assist in the management of Plant Collections Network collections in conjunction with the Plant Recorder and Director of Horticulture.
- Monitor and inspect plants for health deficiencies and problems, ascertain proper corrective measures and apply appropriate pesticides and fertilizers.
- Work with contractors, consultants and temporary employees, aid in supervision and training of interns.
- With managerial approval, source, procure and purchase plants, supplies and materials such as trees, shrubs, seeds, mulch, soil and garden tools and equipment.
- Perform general gardening duties such as pruning, planting, weeding, and mulching and debris removal.
- Operate track hoes, tractors, trucks, forklifts and other heavy machinery. Also operate standard garden equipment such as chainsaws, blowers, mowers and tillers and perform heavy lifting as required.
- Other duties as assigned.

Reports to: Director of Horticulture

Working conditions:

The majority of time will be spent working outside in the garden, though office work is also required.

Compensation: This is a full time exempt position with a competitive salary commensurate with experience.

About the garden:

Moore Farms Botanical Garden is a nonprofit organization set on 1,000 acres near Lake City, South Carolina. The garden is cultivated on 65 acres and is a dynamic mix of formal, naturalistic, and agrarian landscapes. Garden areas include a formal garden, vegetable garden, green roof, pond gardens, formal shrub borders, and a greenhouse and nursery. Other land use includes agriculture, forestry and wildlife habitat. We are currently in a period of growth in both our horticultural displays and programming. This is a very exciting time to be part of the MFBG team.

Please visit our website at moorefarmsbg.org to learn more.

Requirements:

Bachelor's degree in Horticulture or related field in addition to 5+ years of relevant work experience with 2 years in a supervisory role.

Extensive horticulture knowledge and skills.

Must be passionate about gardening and horticulture.

Must be available for occasional overnight travel.

Ability to lift 50 lbs.

Willingness and ability to perform physical work outside in all weather conditions.

Excellent written and oral communication skills.

Must possess or be able to acquire a valid South Carolina Driver's license within 90 days of employment.

Must be willing and able to obtain a South Carolina pesticide license upon employment.

Application Instructions:

Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to Brendan Huggins at

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