MINNESOTA LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM Youth Education JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Urban Gardener MN Landscape Arboretum Urban Garden Program (position based in Minneapolis)

SUPERVISOR: Manager of Youth Education

CLASSIFICATION: 001 Temporary Casual

OVERVIEW:
The Urban Gardener will be a member of the Children’s Garden in Residence work team. The Gardener’s primary role is to install and maintain high quality teaching gardens at 5 urban garden partner sites in Minneapolis and St. Paul. The gardens provide the teaching space for a seven week hands-on science program that engages 200 youth each summer.

JOB DESCRIPTION

80% Garden Maintenance:
- Maintain Arboretum quality urban gardens at 5 community partner sites, including site preparation, plant acquisition, purchasing supplies, weeding, watering throughout the growing season, planting crops to fit with lesson plans, and succession planting as needed to maintain a beautiful, lush, productive garden throughout the growing season.
- Work with Urban Garden team to determine weekly and seasonal priorities, projects and resources.

20% Plant/garden resource for Urban Garden Team and Community
- Work with community partners, children’s garden in residence team, and the Urban Garden Leadership team to provide resource and support for Urban Garden programming.

**Please note job description detailing current responsibilities is subject to change.**

WORK SCHEDULE:
- **Start Date:** April 14, 2016
- **April 14-May 1st:** 16 hours/week
- **May 1st-August 15:** 32 hours/week
- **August 15-October 15:** 16 hours/week
- **End Date:** October 15, 2015
- **Total Hours:** 516 (not to exceed 67 days)

Specific hours/days to be determined by Urban Garden Team.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:
- One year extensive garden management experience
- Post-secondary degree or significant coursework in horticulture
- Extensive knowledge of vegetable and ornamental annual plants well adapted to Minneapolis area climate
- Successful completion of mandatory background check
- Driver’s License

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:
- Established network of contacts with local greenhouse and garden supply industry
- Experience working in diverse cultural settings

PAY AND APPLICATION INFORMATION:
$12.00-$16.00/hr
To apply, e-mail resume, cover letter, and references to: Urban Garden Planning Team, c/o Randy Gage at gage0020@umn.edu