Volunteer Opportunity Description: *Hsiao - Ho Chinese Garden and Harrison Sculpture Garden*

**Description/Purpose**
Maintaining the beauty and presentation of the new Hsiao - Ho Chinese Garden and Harrison Sculpture Garden at the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

**Responsibilities/Tasks**
Volunteers will be in charge of or assisting in the maintenance of the new Chinese Garden's perennials, annuals, and shrubs along with helping the establishment of the maturing wetland area. Seasonal maintenance of the Sculpture Garden includes mulching, pruning shrubs and trees, weeding, and maintaining the steel edging and grass line around the sculptures.

**Required Skills**
General gardening skills preferred with perennials, shrubs, and weeding experience along with enjoying being part of a garden team at the Arboretum. If you enjoy working in waders with plants and wildlife along pond edges, this job may be available if requested but not required.

**Time Commitment and Schedule Details**
May - October on the first and third Tuesday mornings of the month from 8am - noon. Flexible time options are available. A garden orientation day will be completed prior to start date.

**Benefits/Impact**
Joining our volunteer team will improve the quality and presentation of the sculptures and the entire garden area. Volunteers will be able to gain grounds and gardening techniques along with being part of an enjoyable, and social work environment. Volunteering in a small garden section at the Arboretum is a critical piece of the entire operation of the Arboretum to achieve its goal as being a first class demonstration for the public.

**Work Environment:**

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**How to Apply for this Opportunity**
If you are currently an Arboretum Volunteer and would like to apply for this opportunity, please contact the supervisor and set up an interview.

**Staff Supervisor & Contact Information**
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All Arboretum Volunteer opportunities are reserved for registered and active Arboretum Volunteers. All volunteers go through an orientation and screening process prior to applying for opportunities. Learn HOW TO BECOME A VOLUNTEER or call the Volunteer Center at 612-301-1203 to get started.