Volunteer Opportunity Description: Sunday morning in the Sensory Garden

Description/Purpose

Help with the care of the Sensory garden and interact with the visitors.

Responsibilities/Tasks

Help with the bed preparation, planting, weeding, deadheading, watering, sweeping, tidying, and removal of plant materials in the fall.

Required Skills

Some knowledge of plants is helpful, but there is an opportunity to learn as you go. Some tasks require some strength and hard work, but others require patience and the ability to be detail oriented. There is something to fit any ability level.

Time Commitment and Schedule Detail

Every Sunday morning from about 8AM-12 noon. Of course, this is flexible and you don’t have to be there every week, but I certainly will look forward to seeing you!

Benefits/Impact

They Sensory Garden is a high visibility area that is used almost constantly for various Arboretum programs for people of all ages and physical abilities and a favorite for weddings, yoga, etc. The visitors are inspired by the presence of volunteers and the commitment to helping keep the Arboretum such a beautiful place. The high degree of care to create such a beautiful environment is impossible without the help of our dedicated, hard working volunteers! I need your help to do this! (And besides that, the other volunteers are bored just seeing me all of the time and want some new faces!)

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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**

Mary Bigelow, Landscape Gardener, email bigel005@umn.edu (that is lower case B I G E L two zeros and a five)

I hope that you will consider coming in on Sunday mornings and helping me!

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