

Position: Gardens Manager

Start Date: Spring 2016 or earlier

Position works directly with Permaculture Directors.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until position is filled

DESCRIPTION

We are seeking a motivated and skilled individual to join our growing team. They will work with Permaculture Directors to develop Heartwood's gardens designs and permaculture practices. They will directly oversee Gardens Management on the day-to-day. They will be managing apprentices in garden spaces while leading associated projects and tasks, along with Permaculture Directors.

This is an exciting opportunity for the right person to join our team in working towards a more permanent and resilient culture, by joining our community as an gardens manager/ teacher.

Position Overview:

- Work with Permaculture Directors to develop Garden spaces (including annual vegetable garden, medicinal herb garden and orchards) in alignment with Permaculture principles and practices
- Lead apprentices thru all phases of Garden work (from April- November) during agreed upon weekdays
- Teach both in classroom and in the gardens for leading Apprentices thru projects and tasks
- Manage seeding, transplanting, planting, irrigation, weed/pest control, harvest and frost protection plan
- Manage operations including planning and organizing workload
- Work within given budget
- Working with Culinary Director for food needs and schedule

Job Skills Required:

- 3+ years of experience in sustainable gardening and/or farming experience, full season, preferably at Manager level
- Commitment to Permaculture and sustainable farming
- Excellent communication and people skills
- Mature adult with experience and skills in managing people and resources
- Strong organizational skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Must be able to lift up to 50lbs

Job Skills Desired:

- Previous teaching experience in the garden or classroom around sustainable farming or gardening
- Comfort with speaking and presenting in public
- Strong knowledge of (regional) plant material
- Completed Permaculture Design Certification course

Compensation:

- Housing provided on-site
- Food produced from the gardens
- Salary based on experience
- Health Insurance provided

For questions, or to apply for this position, please email Lauren Proctor at:
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