



### **Horticulturist (full time, non-exempt)**

Reports to: Horticulture Manager

Supervisory Responsibility: None

FLSA Status: Non-exempt

Full-Time Position: 40 hours per week, health/dental/retirement benefits, paid holidays, paid time off

Position Summary: The Horticulturist is part of a team of employees responsible for the maintenance and care of planting beds (consisting of trees, shrubs, herbaceous perennials, and tropical/seasonal displays) and decorative containers around the Garden campus including the Lakeside Promenade, adjacent spaces to the Visitor Center and Administration Building, and the new J.E. and L.E. Mabee Grange building.

Primary duties of this position include:

- Maintains existing planting beds, outdoor spaces around buildings, nature trails, and walkways through weeding, pruning, hedging, deadheading, fertilizing, mulching, etc.
- Occasionally mows lawns and string-trims weeds
- Works as part of a team to develop and install new plantings and seasonal change-outs
- Assists with maintenance and upgrading of irrigation systems
- Assists with equipment maintenance and general shop and “back of house” cleaning and organization
- Assists in pest management and disease prevention, including the occasional use of pesticides
- Performs physical gardening work that is associated as part of a routine outdoor job in horticulture in the south-central U.S.
- Maintains and conveys a working level knowledge of ornamental plants, including trees, shrubs, vines, herbaceous perennials, annual bedding plants, and tropicals
- Is expected to project appropriate professional abilities and behavior at all times as a full time staff member

Required Skills, Experience & Education: Qualifications for this position include a 2-year or 4-year degree in horticulture or a closely related field, or at least 2 years’ experience working in a recognized public garden or similar venue. Knowledge of general horticultural principles, landscape management techniques, botanical nomenclature, and ornamental plant identification (annual bedding plants, bulbs, tropical tender perennials, hardy herbaceous perennials, shrubs, roses, hardy and tropical flowering vines, and trees) is crucial. Experience with irrigation systems is desired. Must be able to work with volunteers.

Applicants must be able to work outdoors under environmental conditions typical to Tulsa, Oklahoma. Abilities to lift 50 pounds and handle typical landscape maintenance equipment (small tractor, mowers,

tillers, string-trimmers, pruning/cutting equipment, hand tools) are critical. Applicants must possess a valid driver's license in good standing. Occasional use of pesticides will be required, and candidate will be expected to obtain and maintain an Oklahoma certified pesticide license.

How to apply: Interested applicants should submit a resume and list 2 references (contact information only) to Dustin Stoll via [dustin@tulsabotanic.org](mailto:dustin@tulsabotanic.org). Applications will be received through Monday, January 15, 2018.