



Carlyle House Historic Park

121 North Fairfax Street ☞ Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Carlyle House Gardener

Carlyle House is seeking a part time gardener to care for a diverse colonial revival garden in Old Town Alexandria. Knowledge of 18th and early 19th century garden history a plus but not a requirement. Knowledge of caring for perennials, annuals, wood shrubs, pest management and pruning are key. The ability to work outdoors in all weather conditions is required. The ability to manage, schedule and train volunteers is required. Budget management is required. Lawn care, tree/shrub pest management, irrigation system maintenance and leaf removal are handled by contractors and are not a requirement of this position, although knowledge of these subjects is helpful. Snow removal is not a part of this position.

This position:

- funded for 180 hours per year
- Pay: \$14.50 per hour
- offers a flexible schedule (you set your own)
- offers the ability to develop educational and interpretive programming
- free onsite parking
- all tools are provided

About the Carlyle House Garden: Construction on Carlyle House was completed in 1753. John Carlyle was a wealthy merchant and a founder of the city of Alexandria. This Georgian architecture style home sits on what was an acre of land in 1753. Today the home retains its grand presence on North Fairfax Street and has been open as a museum since 1976. The garden as you see it today did not exist in John Carlyle's time. It is a colonial revival style conjecture of what a garden may have looked like. Today it is a popular destination for family portraits, weddings, local residents and visitors from all over the world.

The garden plantings are kept to the time period in which the Carlyle Family owned the home (1750s-1820s). Wherever possible organic practices are used to keep the garden in top shape. The garden is 50 years old and is showing the signs of a changing environment. Working with the Site Manager and other staff this position would be responsible for helping to develop a plan to revitalize areas of the garden.

For more information about this position please contact Rebecca Super, Site Manager, Carlyle House at rsuper@nvrpa.org

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