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Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

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GARDEN SPECIALIST - Meadowlark Botanical Gardens

The Garden Specialist is responsible for assisting with the maintenance of planted areas and lawns.

Pay Rate: \$14.50 per hour

Major Duties/Specific Tasks

- Perform various landscape maintenance including weeding, mulching, edging, raking, and watering planted areas as needed.
- Plant trees, shrubs, and flowers in designated areas.
- Prune and trim plants as needed; clear brush.
- Pot seedlings and cuttings.
- Maintain cleanliness of walks by sweeping or shoveling snow.
- Mow grass using a variety of lawn mowers and tractors.
- Operate a skid loader.
- Operate small engine equipment such as backpack blowers and line trimmers.
- Assist with coordination of volunteers.
- Assist with light show installation or special projects as needed.

Minimum Qualifications

- Minimum of one year of college education in a related field (or equivalent training or experience) and one year of supervisory experience or Master Gardener certification.
- Considerable knowledge of native and ornamental plant materials, intermediate plant identification and gardening.
- Knowledge of plant propagation.
- Ability to read landscape plans.
- Considerable ability to communicate clearly and effectively with the public and staff members, with ability to prepare and present accurate reports.
- Knowledge of lawn care techniques and safe operation of equipment.
- Ability to learn skid loader or tractor operation.
- Strength and dexterity necessary to perform all required tasks, including lifting, stooping, bending, and working in tiring and uncomfortable positions.
- Ability to perform heavy manual labor in a variety of weather conditions.
- Availability to work additional hours during peak operating times.
- Possession of or ability to obtain valid driver's license, must maintain safe driving record.
- Required to purchase and wear standard uniform.

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