

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

### **POSITION TITLE:**

Children's Garden Gardener and Hands - On Educator for the Massachusetts Horticultural Society

**REPORTS TO**: Director of Horticulture & Education (Gardens Curator, Director of Horticulture)

**WORKS WITH:** Staff, volunteers, and Interns

**POSITION TYPE**: hourly, 18 hours per week\* Can be shared: 2 part-time positions

**SEASON:** April 15 – October 15.

**HOURS PER WEEK**: 6 days per week Tuesday – Sunday. One weekend day required. 3 Hours per day 9:30 am – 12:30

# **SEASONAL JOB DESCRIPTION:**

Assists with daily maintenance in the children's garden at Mass Hort.

Offers scheduled daily hands on garden programs for kids/families.

Carries out weekly work plans to maintain the garden as a clean, weed-free interpretive site garden site for visitors and education programs.

Must be a personable, able to lift 40 lbs, and work in all weather.

Salary \$15 per hr

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Strong gardening skills or experience in a public garden setting.
- Must have some gardening and public speaking experience
- Degree in Education, Horticulture and/or a Master Gardener Certificate preferred.
- Require CORI clearance

## **Massachusetts Horticultural Society**

The Gardens at Elm Bank includes a 36-acre public garden, located within the historic Elm Bank Reservation (182 acres) which is owned and operated by the Department of Conservation and Recreation located in Wellesley/Dover, MA. The Gardens at Elm Bank include eight gardens and four greenhouses: Olmstead Brothers Italianate Garden, the Bressingham Garden, Weezie's Garden for Children, AAS Trials Garden, James Crockett Memorial Garden, Goddess Garden, The Garden to Table Vegetable Gardens, the and Welcome Garden. Four "plant society" gardens that are maintained by four regional plant societies: American Hemerocallis Society Daylily Garden, the Noanett Garden Club Stroll Garden, the Alan Payne Rhododendron Garden, and the Herb Society Garden. All personnel are ambassadors of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and readily interact with visitors, members, donors, trustees, volunteers, and the public.

#### **MISSION**

Founded in 1829, the Massachusetts Horticultural Society is dedicated to encouraging the science and practice of horticulture and to developing the public's enjoyment, appreciation, and understanding of plants and the environment.

**To apply:** please forward resume and cover letter to John Forti, Director of Horticulture & Education <u>iforti@masshort.org</u>