

GARDENER

Pay: \$17.00 - \$18.00 per hour

Job description:

Position Objectives:

- To maintain and care for the Historic Gardens and Grounds at Stratford Hall. This part-time position will mainly be responsible for the East Garden, which includes perennials, annuals, vegetables, trees and shrubs as well as turf grass. Additionally, working with the Grounds Team to keep the property safe and welcoming for all of Stratford Hall's visitors.

General Statement of Duties:

- Using best horticultural practices in transplanting, watering, fertilizing and soil management for vegetables, perennials and annuals
- Professionally and safely use such equipment as push lawn mower, string trimmer, leaf blower, backpack sprayers and various hand tools
- Pruning of ornamental trees and shrubs
- Assists in greenhouse production for plant materials for the gardens and the annual plant sale
- Maintains a safe work environment for staff, visitors and volunteers
- Assists with public and private event set ups and break downs
- Assists with snow and ice removal and other storm damage as needed
- Performs other duties as required
- Occasional weekend work will be required

Qualifications:

- Basic understanding of best horticultural practices for public gardens
- Proper use and maintenance of small engine equipment
- Understanding of Integrated Pest Management
- Understanding proper pruning techniques of trees and shrubs
- Interact positively with public, volunteers and other staff members

- Ability to work independently and with other team members
- Valid driver's license

Physical Requirements:

- Ability to work in all types of Virginia weather.
- Manual dexterity to safely and efficiently perform seed sowing, weeding and pruning
- Ability to lift and carry up to 40 pounds

Who we are:

Stratford Hall is a National Historic Landmark located in Westmoreland County, VA, nestled along the Potomac River. A publicly accessible museum and historic site for over ninety years and home to the only two brothers to have signed the Declaration of Independence, Stratford Hall will leverage the upcoming 250 Anniversary of our nation to reintroduce our broad and diverse stories to our communities and stakeholders. A model of historic preservation and land conservation, Stratford Hall contributes actively to the Northern Neck community and encourages applications from strategic thinkers committed to joining this collaborative and dynamic leadership team as we implement transformative strategic and campus master plans for the 1,800-acre historic preserve.

What We Offer:

Stratford Hall offers a generous benefits package and pays competitive salary for the non-profit sector. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to creating an inclusive and collaborative culture among our staff, which we believe is critical to advancing our mission. Prospects interested in helping to ensure Stratford Hall remains relevant for future generations and in making a difference at our historic site, in our field, and to our community are encouraged to apply. For more information about our organization please visit www.stratfordhall.org

Job Type: Part-time

Work Location: In person

Experience:

- Gardening : Experience either public, private or personal

License/Certification:

- Driver's License (Required)

Ability to Commute:

- Stratford, VA 22558 (Required)

Please [apply on Indeed](#) or complete and email [your application](#) to Matt Peterschmidt, Director of Landscapes & Security at mpeterschmidt@stratfordhall.org