

GARDEN APPRENTICE PROGRAM (GAP)

JOB DESCRIPTION



ABOUT WYCKOFF HOUSE MUSEUM:

The Wyckoff Farmhouse is New York City's oldest house, dating back to c. 1652. This remarkable historic structure sits on the 1.25 acre Fidler-Wyckoff Park, a New York City Parks site. Designated as the city's first landmark and a National historic landmark, the museum welcomes thousands of visitors each year for school field trips, family days, garden workshops, tours, and community events.

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The Garden Apprentice Program (GAP) provides first-hand experience growing organic vegetables, herbs, and other plants on the Farm at Fidler-Wyckoff Park in East Flatbush. Apprentices will support a monthly Farmstand on Saturday mornings where fresh vegetables from the Farm are available to the community. As the program progresses Apprentices will participate in workshops and be responsible for preparing and facilitating a workshop of their own design. The 2021 Garden Apprentice Program will be conducted entirely on-site, outdoors in Fidler-Wyckoff Park.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Taking care of the Farm: harvesting vegetables, weeding, watering, composting
- Engaging with community members, volunteers and visitors
- Participating in weekly workshops
- Assisting with the coordination of special events, including the Farmstand, community workshops, seasonal programs and volunteer days.

QUALIFICATIONS: Please check all lines that apply. You must meet these requirements to be considered for the Garden Apprentice Program

- You are between the ages of 16 and 19 (as of July 1, 2021)
- You live or go to school in East Flatbush or Canarsie
- You are eager to learn about growing and taking care of plants
- You want to explore the connections between food and people
- You like being outdoors and are happy working in the sun and with dirt
- You are comfortable working alongside others as a part of the Farm Crew
- You are available for the dates and times listed on schedule below, especially on Saturdays

2021 SCHEDULE:

July 6 - August 31: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday (25 days total)

September 4 - October 23: Saturdays only (8 days total)

COMPENSATION:

Stipend paid every other week equal to \$15/hr wage.

TO APPLY: Applications are **due on Sunday May 23, 2021**

1. *Complete all sections of the application:* Fill out the Applicant Contact Information, Guardian Permission, Schedule an Interview, and write a few sentences for each of the short answer questions, **your answers are very important as a way for us to get to know you.**
2. Send an email stating your interest in the Garden Apprentice Program to garden@wyckoffmuseum.org. Please include all parts of the application. Alternatively you may hand deliver or mail your application to:
Garden Apprentice Program Application, 5816 Clarendon Rd, Brooklyn, NY 11203.

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APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name (First and Last): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Birthdate _____

School: _____ Grade (entering Fall 2021): _____

Email Address: : _____

GUARDIAN PERMISSION:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

My child _____, has my permission to participate in the Wyckoff House Museum Garden Apprentice program if selected.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

SCHEDULE AN INTERVIEW:

We will reach out to qualified candidates to schedule an in-person interview. If you are selected, during which time slot are you available for a 30-minute in-person interview?

- Mark "1" next to your first choice, "2" next to your second choice, then "3" and "4"
- If you absolutely CANNOT come at certain times (you will be away, etc), mark an "X" next to those times
- If your parents have any questions they may call: (646) 335-2612 or they are invited to come to the interview with you to learn more about the program.

_____ Tuesday, May 25; 3:00-5:30pm (Afterschool)

_____ Wednesday, May 26; 3:00-5:30pm (Afterschool)

_____ Thursday, May 27; 3:00-5:30pm (Afterschool)

_____ Saturday, May, 29; 11am-3pm

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SHORT ANSWERS:

Please answer the following questions in a few sentences with as much detail as you can provide.

1) Why do you want to work on the Farm at the Wyckoff House Museum?

2) Describe a way that you are involved with your community. For example, Do you participate in community events? Attend gatherings with friends or neighbors? Volunteer?

3) What do you like to do outside of school?

4) Tell us about a plant, vegetable or food that is important to you, why is it important to you?

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5) How do you feel about working outside? Do you have any experience with farming or gardening?

6) What are three words your friends or family would use to describe you now? What are three ways you want to grow as a person?

(Feel free to type your responses in an email or use the back of this page for additional space)

If you or your guardian have questions about the Garden Apprentice Program or the Application process please reach out to:

Zachary Tan Strein

garden@wyckoffmuseum.org (preferred)

(646) 335-2612 (text or call Monday-Friday 10am-6pm)

Please email completed applications to:

garden@wyckoffmuseum.org

*You can do this by filling out the application on the computer, or filling out the application by hand and **scanning all pages**, or filling out the application by hand and taking **photographs of all pages***

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