

GARDEN APPRENTICE PROGRAM

APPRENTICE APPLICATION



JOB DESCRIPTION

ABOUT WYCKOFF HOUSE MUSEUM:

The Wyckoff Farmhouse is New York'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 weekly farmstand on Saturdays, where fresh vegetables they help cultivate on the farm are available to the community. As the program progresses, Apprentices will participate in weekly workshops and will each be responsible for facilitating a workshop of their own design. The 2022 Garden Apprentice Program will be conducted entirely in-person and outdoors at Fidler-Wyckoff Park, with occasional field trips to other local farm sites.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Farming and gardening: planting seeds and starts, harvesting vegetables, weeding, watering, composting
- Engaging with community members, volunteers, and visitors
- Participating in weekly workshops and field trips, facilitating a workshop for peers
- Assisting with special events, including the weekly farmstand, public community workshops, seasonal programs and open volunteer days

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

- You will be entering the 10th, 11th or 12th grade in Fall 2022
- You currently have or will get your [working papers \(Employment Certification\)](#)
- You have or are able to set up a bank account to receive payment via electronic transfer
- You live in Brooklyn. Priority will be given to students who live or attend school in East Flatbush, Canarsie, Brownsville, Flatlands or Flatbush
- 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 enjoy working outdoors in the sun, light rain, and with dirt
- You are collaborative and willing to work alongside others as a part of the farm crew
- You are available for both the 16-week summer and fall schedules listed below, in particular Saturdays

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2022 SCHEDULE:

Summer Schedule

- July 7 - September 1, 2022 (eight weeks)
- Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday (9am - 1pm)
- Saturday (assigned shifts between 9am - 4pm)

Fall Schedule

- September 4 - October 23, 2022 (eight weeks)
- Saturday only (assigned shifts between 9am - 4pm)

COMPENSATION:

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

TO APPLY:

Applications are **due on Saturday May 7, 2022**

Application Checklist:

- Applicant Contact Information
- Guardian Permission form
- Choose interview time slots
- Short Answer Questions: Provide a few sentences for each of the short answer questions. These answers are a very important way for us to get to know you.

How to Submit an Application

There are three ways to submit an application

1. **ONLINE FORM:** Use this [Google Form](https://tinyurl.com/24mc86y8) to complete online via google forms please use this [link](https://tinyurl.com/24mc86y8):
<https://tinyurl.com/24mc86y8>
 - a. Note: you must have a gmail email address to submit via Google Forms
2. **EMAIL:** Complete form and send via email to garden@wyckoffmuseum.org
 - a. Include "Application for 2022 Garden Apprentice Program" in the subject line
 - b. Attach the completed application as a Doc or PDF. You may email photos of each handwritten page with completed form via email
3. **MAIL/ MAILBOX:**
 - a. You can drop the application in the black mailbox with numbers "5816" affixed to the fence of the property on Clarendon Road at E. 58th street, next to the tire shop
 - b. Mail to:
Garden Apprentice Program Application
5816 Clarendon rd.
Brooklyn, NY 11203

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APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION:

Full Name : _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Birthdate _____

School: _____ Grade (entering Fall 2022) : _____

Email Address: : _____

GUARDIAN PERMISSION:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

(Name of Applicant) _____, 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 parent/guardian has any questions they may call: (646) 335-2612 or they may come to the interview with you to learn more about the program.

_____ Saturday May 21 12 - 5pm
_____ Wednesday May 25 3 - 5:30pm (after school)
_____ Thursday May 26 3 - 5:30pm (after school)
_____ Friday May 27 3 - 5:30pm (after school)

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

6) List three words or phrases your friends or family would use to describe you now?

7) What are three ways you hope 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 visit our GAP webpage <https://wyckoffmuseum.org/garden-apprentice-program/>

Or reach out to: Zachary Tan Strein garden@wyckoffmuseum.org