



BELLEVUE BOTANICAL
GARDEN

Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities

For any of these volunteer opportunities: Submit your volunteer application at www.bellevuebotanical.org, or contact the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society (BBGS) at 425.452.2750. Background checks are required for some positions. **NOTE: Minimum age requirement for all volunteer opportunities is 16.**

Trillium Store at the Garden: The Trillium is open again and volunteers are needed! It is a wonderful opportunity to be “the front porch” to the Garden, as well as meet visitors from around the world. Volunteer as a cashier, inventory support, or shop helper. Training is provided; hours are flexible. A commitment to two 4-hour shifts per month is appreciated. Membership in the Botanical Garden Society is recommended. Send an email to volunteer@bellevuebotanical.org.

Garden d’Lights: Participate in the set-up, installation, lights maintenance and take-down of our Garden lights for this popular seasonal event which requires year-round efforts. Participate in the event itself as a Greeter, or Special Event Support staff. Classes for creating lights are planned to return later in 2014. Submit your volunteer application at www.bellevuebotanical.org or send an email to volunteer@bellevuebotanical.org.

Horticultural Assistants: There are 3 garden areas for volunteers. Get started by submitting your volunteer application at www.bellevuebotanical.org.

- **Garden paths and beds**, where volunteers work with Garden staff or interns to plant, prune, create and maintain paths, and detail the garden. Tuesday or Thursday mornings, 9-11am.
- **Waterwise Garden**, where volunteers meet first and third Wednesdays of the month from 1:00-4:00pm.
- **Perennial Border**, where volunteers work with the Northwest Perennial Alliance every Thursday from 10:00am-2:00pm.

The Buzz Team: This collaborative team brings thoughts, ideas, skills, and input to the BUZZ newsletter. Needed skills include: reporting, writing, interviewing, editing, proofreading, photography and graphic design. Meetings monthly. Send an email to volunteer@bellevuebotanical.org.

Event & Seminar Hospitality: Be part of the fun—Help organize and participate in Garden-sponsored events throughout the year, including Mothers’ Day Social, Educational Seminars, Music in the Garden, Bellevue Kid’s Fair, Art in the Garden and Garden d’Lights. Email volunteer@bellevuebotanical.org.

Special Event Support: Be part of the SES team! Volunteers help our special events run smoothly and safely, providing direction to visitors, patrolling the grounds, reporting problems to Garden staff, and assisting Garden staff with opening and closing duties. Get started by submitting your volunteer application at www.bellevuebotanical.org.

Living Lab: Be a volunteer for the Living Lab Program that provides quality science and botany-related educational opportunities for students from kindergarten through the fifth grade. Sessions are led by program staff or teachers. Volunteers assist. Sessions are held 3 mornings a week in the spring and fall. For more details, go to <http://www.bellevuebotanical.org/lab.html>. Email volunteer@bellevuebotanical.org to volunteer.

Docents: Lead child and adult tours of the garden. Docents are the principal interpreters of the garden to the public; they have a thorough understanding of the Garden’s history, purpose and goals. Membership in the Botanical Garden Society is required. Next training series will start in Feb. 2015. If you are interested, send an email to volunteer@bellevuebotanical.org.

Committees: Bring your special skill and experience to the garden—serve on BBGS committees that focus on educational programs, fundraising, marketing, events, programs, volunteers and administrative functions. Active participation on committees can lead to BBGS Board of Directors selection. Membership in the Botanical Garden Society is required. Email volunteer@bellevuebotanical.org.

Administrative Assistance: Help out in the administrative offices as needed by greeting visitors and answering phones; assisting callers with general Garden questions; lost and found coordination; general office assistance and various other projects. Volunteer by submitting your volunteer application at www.bellevuebotanical.org.



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