

# Tanger Arboretum Volunteer Gardener

Volunteers are invited to assist in the maintenance of the gardens in the Tanger Arboretum at LancasterHistory. No experience is necessary; just a willingness to join fellow volunteers in weeding, mulching, planting, and many more projects. Get your hands dirty and be out in nature in one of Lancaster County's hidden gems, the Tanger Arboretum!

Supervisor(s): Michelle Lapp, Groundskeeper

## **General Responsibilities:**

 Assist with the maintenance of the Tanger Arboretum's 11 acres of gardens, trees, shrubs, and plants.

## **Required Skills:**

- Passion for horticulture, the care and maintenance of trees and plants;
- Compassion for nature and wildlife;
- Responsible, dependable, and motivated; and
- Excellent at following instructions, observation, and oral communication.

#### **Essential Functions:**

- Stoop, bend, lift, lift at least 10–15lbs. and wield/use basic gardening tools; and
- Assist in weeding, mulching, raking, planting, and pruning.

### **Desired, But Not Required, Skills:**

- Previous experience working or volunteering in a public garden; and
- Basic knowledge of plants and weeds.

Tanger Arboretum Volunteer Gardeners meet weekly on Tuesday mornings, 9am – 12pm, from May through mid-November, on-site at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue, Lancaster, PA.

The volunteer group moves throughout the 11-acre Tanger Arboretum, so there's always something new to experience. Daily project details will be communicated via email or another mutually agreed upon form of communication.

Volunteers must be 16 years or older.

This is a volunteer position with no monetary compensation or benefits. Volunteers enjoy a 20% discount on purchases made at The Museum Store, invitations to events and socials, and free or reduced admission to programs and events (as applicable) at Lancaster History.

Hand tools will be provided and volunteers will be instructed on basic tool use and gardening skills. No previous training is required. Volunteers should wear clothing that they don't mind getting dirty, but can move comfortably in. Please bring a set of garden gloves.

# **How to Apply:**

Those interested in volunteering for this position should complete a volunteer application online or by paper. Please indicate "Tanger Arboretum Volunteer Gardener."

Paper applications should be submitted to:

LancasterHistory ATTN: Michelle Lapp 230 North President Avenue Lancaster, PA 17603

The submission of an application does not guarantee acceptance. We will review your application in a timely manner and contact you as soon as possible.

Questions or Concerns: Contact Michelle Lapp, Groundskeeper, at michelle.lapp@lancasterhistory.org.

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