



## TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS

### **Tucson Botanical Gardens Gardener 1**

The Tucson Botanical Gardens is a 5 ½ acre public garden located in the heart of Tucson. The Gardens, the former property of the historic Tucson Porter family, is now home to 20 different display gardens, the Cox Butterfly & Orchid Pavilion, an outdoor garden railway, two gallery spaces, a unique gift shop and a cafe. Rated as one of the top attractions in the City of Tucson, the Tucson Botanical Gardens was recently voted 4<sup>th</sup> best Botanical Garden in USA TODAY'S Readers' Choice Awards. With a household membership over 5,000 and visitation over 100,000 visitors each year, the Gardens is seeking an enthusiastic new team member to be part of a growing and thriving public garden. This is a full time position.

**TITLE:** Gardener 1

**PURPOSE:** Assist with the care and appearance of plants and grounds throughout the Tucson Botanical Gardens (the Gardens). Maintain individual garden areas as assigned. Perform specialized horticulture tasks as directed. Assist with education programs and special events as needed.

#### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- 1) Assume responsibility for the health and appearance of plants and the environment at the Gardens.
- 2) Follow individual garden policies as laid out by the Director of Horticulture and the Tucson Botanical Gardens' Collections Policy and Care of Collections Manual.
- 3) Work with Volunteers and Community Service workers.
- 4) Perform occasional maintenance tasks (like sweeping walkways) as needed.
- 5) Participate in special events (table and chair set-up/break-down, etc.) as needed.
- 6) Interact with and assist Tucson Botanical Gardens' visitors in a positive and courteous manner; answering directional as well as educational questions.
- 7) Be observant of potential safety hazards (tripping dangers, low branches). Correct minor hazards and report significant hazards to a supervisor.
- 8) Respond to garden and visitor safety. Follow procedures described in the Garden's Manual of Safety, Security and Emergency Procedures.
- 9) Follow the Garden's Personnel Manual and Ethics Procedures.
- 10) Perform other duties as requested.

**DEPARTMENT:** Horticulture

**REPORTS TO:** Director of Horticulture

**COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIPS:** Staff, Board, Volunteers, Visitors, and Growers.

**POSITION REQUIREMENTS:** A background in gardening and irrigation is preferred. Course work in horticulture and/or landscape design is suggested. Must be able to lift 50 pounds and perform strenuous tasks in an outdoor environment and extreme heat. Valid Arizona driver's license is required. Work week will include weekends.

**(This job description is intended to indicate the basic nature of the position and examples of typical duties that may be assigned. It does not imply that all positions within the job description perform all of the duties listed, nor does it necessarily list all possible duties that may be assigned.)**