



HARTWOOD ACRES HISTORIC GARDEN INTERNSHIP



Hartwood Acres is a 629-acre Park located 10 miles northeast of downtown Pittsburgh, PA. The garden intern will work closely with the Park's staff and landscape architect to plant, maintain, and enhance the grounds and formal gardens around the mansion, which are chronicled under the Archives of American Gardens by the Smithsonian Institution. Many new plantings are planned for 2016 to showcase a variety of native and ornamental deer resistant species, including a re-design of the formal garden. Much of the intern's work will be dedicated to these new garden spaces.

Interns will assist with: garden planting and maintenance; integrated pest management; research and design for deer resistant gardens in Southwestern, PA; plant identification; and interpretative programs. Interns should be prepared to work outdoors in varied weather, including rain and heat. The work is physically demanding and interns must be able to lift at least 40 pounds, as well as stand, bend, kneel, and reach throughout the day. A strong interest or background in horticulture, landscape architecture, and native plants, is preferred but not required.

The duration of the internship is from June-August, start and end dates somewhat negotiable. Compensation is \$9.00/hr. The workweek is 40.0 hours, Monday through Friday. Housing and transportation is the responsibility of the intern. Earning additional college credits is possible if the intern is currently enrolled and their institution offers such a program. Hartwood Acres is one of 9 parks in the 12,000-acre Allegheny County Park System. Originally a private estate, the land was donated and opened as a County Park in 1976, and still includes the original stone mansion, stables, and formal gardens. The park also features a summer concert series and extensive trails, and is in close proximity to Pittsburgh's abundant cultural and entertainment resources.

Applications for the Hartwood Acres Garden Internship are due by Friday, May 20th, and should include the following:

- Cover letter explaining your background and interest in the position
- Resume
- Three professional references

If you would like further information please e-mail or call Joel Perkovich: joel.perkovich@alleghenycounty.us (412)350-2474

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