

Job description for Horatio's Garden Scotland

Head Gardener

Horatio's Garden charity is looking to appoint a head gardener for two days a week for the second Horatio's Garden at the Scottish National Spinal Injuries Unit at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow.

www.horatiogarden.org.uk

Horatio's Garden Scotland is a new, contemporary, high profile garden designed by James Alexander-Sinclair. The head gardener will be responsible for the maintenance of the garden, organising the volunteer gardener team and garden therapy for patients in collaboration with the occupational therapy department. The head gardener will report to the trustees and the designer who will visit twice a year.

The post will start in early April to co-inside with the planting being done in the garden and is for two days a week.

Experience

Essential

Minimum of 5 years of practical gardening work preferably as head gardener of a team
Minimum of RHS Level 2 Diploma in Principles and Practices of Horticulture (or equivalent)
Therapeutic gardening experience
Proven ability to lead and manage teams
Presentation experience
Driver's license
Good IT skills: proficient with MS Office Outlook, Word, Excel, Powerpoint, digital photography
Own professional indemnity
Supplier management and ordering experience
Experience in safe use and maintenance of wide range of horticultural machinery
Able to manage budgets and petty cash

Desirable

Post graduate diploma in Social and Therapeutic Horticulture
NHS experience or work in health care setting
Ability to support selling of merchandise including the use of credit card machine
Management of volunteers

Qualities

Able to meet the physical demands of the job
Good interpersonal, communication and presentation skills.
Willingness to show commitment and flexibility in working practice.
Self motivated and capable of working with the minimum of direction but understanding limits of your knowledge and able to seek advice when required

Application

Please send a detailed CV with a covering letter to info@horatiogarden.org.uk

Application deadline February 14th

Interviews will be conducted on March 3rd

NOTE: DBS, medical and reference checks will be conducted as part of the recruitment process

