

Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden & Bird Sanctuary
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
Job Announcement

Position Title: Seasonal Interpretive Naturalist— Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden & Bird Sanctuary

Position Location: **Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden & Bird Sanctuary**

Position Description: The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board is seeking Interpretive Naturalists to work at the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden and Bird Sanctuary; a 15-acre native plant garden in the heart of Minneapolis. Naturalist duties include, but are not limited to:

- Providing scheduled day-time and evening interpretive programs to youth, school groups, families, adults and seniors
- Staffing the Martha Crone Visitor's Shelter at the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden
- Developing curriculum for fun and engaging environmental education programs
- Working with volunteers on a variety of programs and habitat restoration projects
- Developing and maintaining high-quality, multi-media displays
- Writing articles for various newsletters
- Maintaining daily naturalists' log of Garden phenology
- Assisting with special projects, programs, and events
- Diplomatically enforcing MPRB rules and regulations

Hours: Part-time hours (typically 15-20+ hours per week) with a minimum commitment of 15 hours per week (3-shifts) for season. Regular shifts are a combination of weekends and late afternoons/evenings. Must be able to assist with several daytime (9am-3pm) programs for youth in mid-late July and early August. Requires ability to work up to 5 weekend days per month. Season: hire date through October 15th. Commitment to finish the full Garden season is compulsory.

Compensation: \$10.97 per hour, no benefits.

Qualifications:

- Interpretative experience at a nature center, nature camp, or similar venue
- Demonstrated ability to work well with children, adults, and diverse populations
- In-depth knowledge in one or more of the following subjects: botany, ornithology, mycology, entomology, zoology, and/or geology.
- Academic training in one or more of the following disciplines: ecology, botany, biology, earth sciences, and/or environmental education
- Strong public speaking skills
- Personable, enthusiastic, and committed to creating high-quality programs and interpretive opportunities for visitors.

Fluency in, including the ability to create and teach curriculum in, a foreign language is desirable.

Please send cover letter and resume to:

**Susan Wilkins,
Garden Curator
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
3800 Bryant Ave. South
Minneapolis, MN 55409**

For additional information, please contact Susan Wilkins at swilkins@minneapolisparks.org.

Application deadline is July 1, 2010.

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