

**Position:** Seasonal Gardener(s) – Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Garden and McAlpin Farm

**Location:** Seal Harbor in the Town of Mount Desert, Maine

**Scope of Work:** The Seasonal Gardener(s) are responsible for assisting daily border and grounds maintenance at the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Garden (Abby Garden). These positions may assist with the plant production and garden maintenance activities at the McAlpin Farm and Greenhouse property. These positions report to the Manager of McAlpin Farm and Abby Garden and take daily direction and instructions from the Lead Gardener and Lead Groundskeeper. Positions can range in duration from 3 to 6 months, 40-hour work week, non-exempt (hourly) position. Weekends may be required during the nine weeks that the Abby Garden is open.

The Land & Garden Preserve is a nonprofit organization located in Seal Harbor and Northeast Harbor, Maine. The mission of the Preserve is to share the beauty of historic lands and gardens on Mount Desert Island. The Preserve manages the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Garden, Asticou Azalea Garden, and Thuya Garden, as well as Little Long Pond and over 1,600 acres of natural lands.

**Essential Job Functions:**

1. Assist with the following maintenance tasks:
  - Transporting plants, planting, watering, weeding, staking, deadheading, grooming, pruning, blowing leaves.
  - Path and road gravel maintenance, ensure paths are raked smooth
  - Assist with the daily security of properties (buildings secured, gates closed, and lights off)
  - Visitor Open Garden Days staff as needed, direct traffic, park cars, or answer questions
  - Able to learn new tasks, plants, and efficient ways of working.
2. Adhere to OSHA safety standards.
3. Interact with all guests (visitors, members, co-workers, and board directors) in a friendly and professional manner.
4. Work and communicate effectively with a team of professionals.
5. Assist with other projects across the Preserve as needed.

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- Some hands-on gardening/groundskeeping experience and/or education
- Willing to take instruction and learn new techniques
- Detail oriented
- Ability to lift 50 lbs. and work an 8-hour day outside in all kinds of weather
- Valid driver's license
- Able to work a flexible schedule in July and August working evenings and weekends, comes to work each day on-time, ready to work.
- Willingness to interact with the public

**Compensation:** Available upon request

**Application deadline:** Open until position is filled.

**To apply** please send a cover letter and resume care of Cassie Banning to [info@gardenpreserve.org](mailto:info@gardenpreserve.org) or via mail to Land & Garden Preserve, PO Box 208, Seal Harbor, ME 04675.