

Orchid Collection Volunteer



Team Assignment: Collections, Orchids

Reports to:

- Collections Supervisor

Purpose: Orchid Collections Volunteers support the horticulture team to care for our extensive orchid collection, focused on maintaining plant health practices

Location: USBG Production Facility (4700 Shepherd Parkway SW, Washington DC)

Primary Responsibilities:

- Repotting and grooming
- Weeding
- Watering
- General cleaning and sweeping

Qualifications:

- Interest in care and maintenance of living collections
- Cooperative nature, including the ability to accept instruction and correction
- Good oral communication skills
- Attention to detail
- Comfort working in a humid, greenhouse environment
- Experience with orchid care is a plus, but not a requirement

Training Provided:

- Introduction to role and responsibilities (approximately 1 hour shadowing onsite)
- Intermittent feedback with team leader and Volunteer Coordinator

Time Commitment:

- **At least two shifts per month**
- Recurring weekly schedule is preferred, but we welcome intermittent volunteering as well
- Available shifts:
 - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
 - 9 AM to 11 AM or 1 PM to 3 PM

Benefits:

- Opportunities to participate in continuing education at the Garden
- Participation in USBG-sponsored volunteer appreciation events