



## USBG Gardens and Grounds General Volunteer

**Division Assignment:** Horticulture

**Reports to:**

- John Walsh, Gardener Supervisor
- Elizabeth Barton, Volunteer Coordinator

**Purpose:** To support the USBG mission of demonstrating the aesthetic, cultural, economic, ecological and therapeutic importance of plants to the well-being of humankind by assisting the Gardens and Grounds horticulture staff with the care and maintenance of the National Garden, Bartholdi Park and Conservatory gardens.

**Primary Responsibilities:**

- Assist gardeners with regular gardening tasks on the outside gardens of the USBG. Weeding, seasonal planting, pruning and general grounds maintenance.

**Qualifications:**

- Interest in care and maintenance of living collections
- Cooperative nature, including the ability to accept instruction and correction
- Professional manner and appearance

**Training Provided:**

- Training and shadowing opportunities will be provided commensurate with experience.

**Time Commitment:**

- 100 hours a year (USBG volunteer commitment)
- Available time slots:
  - Monday – Friday
  - Times between 10 AM and 3 PM

**Benefits:**

- Opportunities to participate in continuing education at the Garden
- Participation in horticulture in-service training programs offered to volunteers in Washington D.C. area
- Participation in USBG-sponsored volunteer appreciation events