VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY #5

The Brooklyn Botanic Garden is taking applications for their Garden Apprentice Program (GAP). If interested, please read the information below. The application is on-line at www.bbg.org/gap

Make sure to follow all deadlines...If you have any questions, there is a number to call for additional information.

Mr. Honor
September 28, 2011

Dear friends of Brooklyn Botanic Garden,

We invite you to learn about a great youth internship at Brooklyn Botanic Garden called the Garden Apprentice Program (GAP). Apprentices learn about careers in public gardens, science, the environment, and education through hands-on work placements in the Garden. Apprentices are eligible for community service credit and Tiers 2 and 3 of the program receive a stipend upon successful completion of the program.

Garden Apprentices:
- Work with children, behind-the-scenes with staff, or with Garden visitors
- Learn about botany, environmentalism, and protecting the earth
- Grow, harvest, and cook their own fruits and vegetables
- Explore in depth Brooklyn Botanic Garden’s amazing plant collections and greenhouses
- Develop job skills, including teamwork, communication, and responsibility

Enclosed in this packet are flyers about GAP - please post where others can see and share with anyone you think might be interested in apprenticing at Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Come to our Open House on November 12 to learn more about GAP!

Downloadable applications will be available online: www.bbg.org/gap. Applications are due on Wednesday, December 7, 2011.

For more information, please contact us at 718-623-7252 or gap@bbg.org.

Sincerely,

Saara Nafici
Garden Apprentice Program, Coordinator

OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, November 12, 2011
1-3pm - BBG Auditorium
Register: gap@bbg.org or 718-623-7252
Applications due Dec. 7!
Garden Apprentice Program

Brooklyn Botanic Garden’s garden-based, hands-on apprenticeship for students in grades 8–11

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Garden Apprentice Program

Work with other teens and build valuable job skills as you learn about urban agriculture and the environment in one of the world’s best-known public gardens!

Acceptance into each tier of GAP is through a competitive application process and requires a nine-month commitment, March–November. Rising apprentices earn increasing levels of compensation.

TIERS:

Discovery Guides Grades 8–9
Assist instructors in Children’s Garden programs

Garden Corps Grade 10
Work alongside scientists, educators, horticulturists

Junior Apprentices Grade 11
Create education stations for Garden visitors

Senior Apprentices
Work as paid staff in the Children’s Garden after successful completion of Junior Apprenticeship

Open House
November 12, 1 p.m.—Registration required!

Applications for 2012 will be available online in October 2011 at bbg.org/gap, due December 7, 2011.

To register, contact us at gap@bbg.org or 718-623-7252.

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