

# Get Dirty in the Garden

Horticultural Volunteers. Ages 14+. All abilities. Experience not necessary.

*Free-of-charge. Once-a-week. Thursdays. 9am-12pm. Registration required. Year-round.*

Hi Friends! We are offering, for a 2nd year, an opportunity for volunteers to “Get Dirty in the Garden!” We welcome teachers (experienced mentors), learners (volunteers, age 14+), and observers (guests, of any age/ability) to enjoy and engage with our wheelchair-accessible gardens. Pre-registration is required for participation on any program day. Simply call or e-mail us if interested!

Season	Dates	Sessions	Register by	Orientation	Evaluation
2020 Spring	March 19- May 28	11	March 18	March 19	May 28
2020 Summer	June 4 - Aug. 13	11	June 3	June 4	Aug. 13
2020 Autumn	Sept. 10 - Nov. 19	11	Sept. 9	Sept. 10	Nov. 19

## Our 2020 program will offer 3 seasons (Spring, Summer, Autumn).

Each season is 11 program sessions. Our program offers a safe small-group weekly practice, facilitated by experienced leaders and teachers. Opportunities include: observing nature; maintaining bird feeders, garden beds, trails, & lawns; and helping actualize creative projects. Participants have included retired persons, college interns, adult day programs, small community service groups, and people with a flexible schedule. *State, nonprofit, and community small groups, please contact us to discuss participation.*

## Requirements

- Volunteers age 14+ may enjoy helping in the garden one season or more.
- Weekly continuity is appreciated by all (program leaders/teachers & fellow participants).
- *Provided:* Garden Tools.
- *Required:* Garden Shoes, Garden Gloves, and Water Bottle.
- *Optional:* Brown Bag Lunch / Snacks.

## Registration

Program registration is available anytime, beginning March 1, 2020.

## Orientation & Evaluation

The first day of each season (Mar.19, June 4, Sept.10) will offer newcomer orientation. The last day of each season will include a simple celebration and program evaluation.

## Parking & Bathroom

10-cars/vans may park on the property. 2-van limit.

A wheelchair-accessible port-a-potty is available from Mid-March - Mid-November.



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