Park Champion Volunteer
Role Description

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QUEEN ELIZABETH OLYMPIC PARK

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Description

We are looking for volunteers to help contribute to the conservation and environmental management of Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. Under the supervision of Park Gardeners and the Conservation Volunteer Manager, you will have the opportunity to learn new gardening and horticultural skills and take part in the Park's conservation and biodiversity plan.

The Olympic Park is a great place to get involved in volunteering as it changes, evolves and the gardens mature and develop. Anyone who has an enthusiasm for this amazing place will enjoy having a direct impact on its maintenance whilst learning more about what's going on! This is also a great chance to work alongside highly skilled gardeners and horticulturalists, if you are interested in gardening or want to learn more this is the opportunity for you!

Location – Across Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

Key responsibilities

Activities vary throughout the year and may include woodland maintenance, planting, tree and wildlife surveys and tending of the designed gardens. Your tasks will relate to conservation and gardening (tree and shrub pruning, habitat surveys, planting, vegetation clearance etc)

Reports to – David Everett, Conservation Volunteer Manager
You will work under the supervision of gardeners and the grounds maintenance team responsible for the ongoing upkeep of the Olympic Park.

Time commitment

Sessions occur twice monthly either on weekdays or weekends. Sessions are generally from 10am-3pm but each opportunity will have its timings advertised as appropriate.

Required skills

- Friendly, passionate and enthusiastic – you will be one of the key representatives of the Park.
- Good communication skills – The Park is for everyone and all volunteers need the ability to communicate with a range of visitors from different background and with different needs.
- An appreciation for the environment, conservation and gardening.
- No specific skills needed, just an enthusiasm for the environment, volunteering and getting hands dirty outside!

Support

The Conservation Volunteer Manager will oversee all sessions. You will receive a briefing at the beginning of the session, this will include a toolbox talk and how to use equipment if required. The Conservation Volunteer Manager will be present all day, supporting you and working by your side on the task allocated.

What to wear

Suitable clothes that are comfortable to work in, warm and waterproof in the event of wet weather- activities still go ahead in the rain! You will provided with PPE if required and all gardening equipment will be provided to you on the day.

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