

## **Art Gardener**

### Volunteer

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Reports to: Cultural Park Keeper / Volunteer Programme Manager

### **Role purpose**

- Helping out with the planned development and general upkeep of the Art Garden and Whitworth Park by supporting with:
- Tidying up, deadheading, weeding and caring for borders, looking after trees, shrubs, plants and propagating seeds
- Assisting in the preservation of the gardens
- Maintaining the sculptures and check for damage/ corrosion
- Being a friendly face for visitors to the gardens and park and answering any questions they may have
- Aiding promotion of the bio diversity within the park
- Giving any other appropriate assistance as may be reasonably requested

### **Opportunities:**

- Developing gardening, artwork and sculpture experience
- Training opportunities; workshops with Sarah Price Landscapes and experts in gardening and sculpture conservation. Units of Level 1 Horticulture available with Manchester College.
- Becoming part of the Whitworth family; seeing the gallery from the inside, receiving invitations to private views and special events
- Getting your hands dirty and enjoying the great outdoors!

### **What we would love you to bring to the role:**

- An interest in horticulture and/or an interest in the arts
- This role can be physically demanding so you need to be reasonably fit and willing to work out of doors in all our lovely Manchester weather!
- To build a dedicated and close-knit team we would like volunteers to be able to commit at least one half-day or one full day a week (\*We can be flexible and if you cannot commit to this, we will need more ad-hoc help across the park with our Friends of Whitworth Park members)
- 6 months minimum involvement

Please email [fiona.cariss@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:fiona.cariss@manchester.ac.uk) for any further questions and to request an application form