



the Charterhouse

Volunteer Role Description

Role Title:	Garden Volunteer
Role Purpose:	Helping to maintain a garden of historical interest working alongside a team of staff and volunteers.
Role Description:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• General garden maintenance, including: weeding, mulching, tidying, pruning and planting.• Helping to propagate plants to sell in the shop and at events.• Learning about, identifying and helping to care for the different plants in the gardens.• Involved in maintenance of the public spaces in the Charterhouse square to ensure local residents, schools and workers can continue to enjoy the space throughout the year• Working in the private Gardens in the Charterhouse to maintain the beautiful outside spaces, and develop an understanding of the historic links between many of the plants and the site.• Opportunities to help at the open gardens events.
Role Reports To:	Kate Robinson, Head Gardener
Where:	The Charterhouse Charterhouse Square London EC1M 6AN
When:	<p>Every Wednesday and Thursday from 1-4pm. The sessions will run every week and can be booked on a first come first serve basis via the TeamUp App with 5 slots available each session.</p> <p>Minimum requirement of a once month commitment, however weekly/ fortnightly is preferred.</p> <p>The Garden programme will run throughout the year, although in bad weather sessions may be cancelled.</p>
Duration:	Ongoing, with a one month trial period.

<p>Who we are looking for:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A friendly attitude and enthusiasm for gardening and a desire to learn more. • Ability to work as a part of a team. • Some experience in gardening and an ability to perform physical tasks using gardening tools such as digging, raking, and pruning. • An individual able to be respectful of the area in which they work, and aware of the unique nature of the Charterhouse site. • Enthusiastic and passionate about maintaining the site, and ensuring it is constantly being presented in an appropriate, beautiful manner. <p>The Charterhouse is open to all. We welcome applications from people of all abilities, backgrounds and communities.</p>
<p>Commitment to you:</p>	<p>As Garden Volunteer, you will have the opportunity to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop your gardening knowledge. • Receive full training and support to fulfil the role. • Work as a part of a team. • Learn about the history of the Charterhouse and its gardens. • Meet new people and take part in special activities organised for volunteers.
<p>Why We Want You:</p>	<p>The Charterhouse has a long and unique history, and since the mid-14th century has been used in a variety of ways, and continues to be an almshouse today. This unique situation, as well as the historic nature of the site; means it requires special maintenance and attention to detail to ensure that the grounds stay in a healthy condition.</p> <p>In January 2017 the site opened to the public with a new museum and learning centre, and we now welcome visitors on tours around certain parts of the site. We would like to invite you to join us in maintaining the gardens, which include both the private gardens and the public square outside, to ensure that all visitors to the site get to experience it looking its best, and properly representing its history.</p>
<p>Notes:</p>	<p>We will reimburse volunteers for travel expenses up to £6 per day. Tea and biscuits will be provided.</p> <p>Please note – we will provide you with all equipment required, but please come wearing comfortable and appropriate clothing and footwear.</p> <p>Please be aware that all staff and volunteers are subject to a DBS check.</p>
<p>How to apply:</p>	<p>To apply, please complete an application form and send it to: kate.robinson@thecharterhouse.org</p>