



NYC Parks

CITY OF NEW YORK PARKS & RECREATION

## CITYWIDE JOB VACANCY NOTICE: Job ID No. 580059

**Office Title:** Landscape Restoration Crew Member

**Civil Service Title:** Gardener **Title Code No:** 81310 **Level:** I

**Salary:** New Hire Rate: \$43,410 Incumbent Rate: \$49,992

**Number of Positions:** 2 **Work Location:** Queensbridge, Queens

Environment and Planning division aims to protect, restore, and expand New York City Parks including green spaces and natural areas to maximize their benefits for environmental and community health and resilience. The Natural Resources Group's mission is to protect, restore, expand, and manage New York City's over 12,000 acres of natural spaces and green infrastructure across the five boroughs, including forests, grasslands and wetlands.

### Major Responsibilities

- Under general supervision, lead and participate in silviculture, site preparation, invasive species control and other natural areas restoration work throughout New York City with a focus on landscape-scale restoration in Idlewild Park.
- Plant and cultivate trees, flowers, and shrubs. Prepare soil and seed beds. Grade, sod, weed, mulch and mow lawns.
- Operate and maintain Parks & Recreation mowing equipment and sprinkler system.
- Supervise employees and volunteers and instruct them in proper gardening techniques and all aspects of general park maintenance.
- Maintain records and prepare written reports, including the regular entry of fieldwork into Access and use of handheld GPS units.
- Interact with staff and the public in a courteous and professional manner.
- Manage and supervise volunteer events.
- Coordinate on-site restoration efforts with contractors, park managers, local community groups and other agencies.

### Qualification Requirements

1. One year of full-time experience in gardening work, including experience in each of the following: planting, cultivating and caring for trees, plants, shrubs and lawns; or
2. A certificate from a horticulture or botanic program containing college-level courses, such as programs offered by the New York Botanical Garden, the Brooklyn Botanical Garden, etc.; or
3. A satisfactory combination of education and/or experience that is equivalent to "1" above. Thirty semester credits from an accredited college, at least fifteen of which must be in horticulture, agriculture, agronomy, plant pathology, botany, landscape design or architecture, entomology, forestry, floriculture, plant production and/or crop management, may be substituted for the one year of the work experience described in "1" above.

### LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

A motor vehicle driver license valid in the State of New York. This license must be maintained for the duration of employment.

Residency in New York City, Nassau, Orange, Rockland, Suffolk, Putnam or Westchester counties required for employees with over two years of city service. New York City residency required within 90 days of hire for all other candidates.

### Preferred Skills/Qualifications

1. Experience with hand and power tools used in natural resources work a plus.
2. Familiarity with both native and invasive plant species of the northeastern United States.
3. Valid NYS pesticide applicator or technician license.
4. Ability to safely lift 50 lbs. of weight.

### How to Apply

#### Parks Employees:

- 1) From a Parks computer: Access **Employee Self Service (ESS)** from the Parks Intranet under Applications or use this link: <https://hrb.nycaps.nycnet/>. Once in **ESS**, go to Careers and search for **Job ID# 580059**. Do not access **ESS** using [nyc.gov/ess](https://nyc.gov/ess) from a Parks computer.

#### Parks & City Employees:

- 2) From a Non-Parks computer: Access **Employee Self Service (ESS)** by going to [nyc.gov/ess](https://nyc.gov/ess) or use this link: <https://a127-ess.nyc.gov/>. Once in **ESS**, go to Careers and search for **Job ID# 580059**.

Include your ERN and **Job ID# 580059** on your cover letter and resume.

### All other applicants:

Go to [nyc.gov/careers/search](https://nyc.gov/careers/search) and search for **Job ID# 580059**.

**POST DATE: 03/24/2023**

**POST UNTIL: 04/14/2023**

**NOTE: All resumes must be received no later than the last day of the posting period. References will be required upon request.**

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