



**Children's Fairyland seeks Temporary Groundskeeper/Gardening Intern  
February-April 2017**

**About Fairyland and our landscape:** Children's Fairyland is a magical fantasy world where young children can create, imagine, play, and learn. Our landscape supports our general mission by providing thoughtful, playful, and whimsical plantings that aim to foster a child's curiosity, imagination, and sense of nature. Organic, "Bay-Friendly" landscaping principles are used throughout our 10-acre property to keep our visitors, staff, and wildlife habitat healthy.

**About the position:** The Groundskeeper participates in all aspects of grounds maintenance, landscaping and general cleanup under the direction of the Landscape Supervisor. The position is three days a week, from 7am-3:30pm, Thursday-Saturday; additional days are available and may be discussed.

General responsibilities include but are not limited to the following regular tasks:

- General opening preparation: using a backpack leaf blower on sidewalks and raking sandpits and gravel areas before visitors arrive
- Leaf removal: keeping garden beds and perimeter areas clear of excess leaf litter
- Weed abatement: removal of weeds, either manually or with string trimmers
- Removal of garden debris to offsite compost depository
- Composting: weekly material additions, monthly turning, monitoring quality and temperatures, and maintaining the surrounding area
- Proper care and maintenance administration of tools and garden supplies
- Garden maintenance: planting, watering, transplanting, applying compost and/or mulch, weeding, pruning, and hedging under direction of the Landscape Supervisor
- Irrigation troubleshooting, repair, and drip line installation

We are looking for an individual with the following qualifications:

- Professional grounds keeping/gardening experience, preferably at a public garden or golf course (references required)
- Ability to follow instructions and work independently
- Good problem-solving, organizational, and communication skills
- Willing and able to lift/manipulate up to 50 lbs., dig drainage/planting trenches in our native clay soil, and work in adverse weather conditions
- Ability to operate heavy machinery such as turf equipment and chainsaws
- CA driver's license with clean driving record
- Pass a criminal background check

**Phone calls and/or messages are discouraged.**

**Please email [horticulture@fairyland.org](mailto:horticulture@fairyland.org) with a cover letter and resume in the body of the email. NO attachments will be opened.**