2021 Building & Grounds Maintenance Event Staff Job Posting

Roger Williams Park Zoo (RWPZ) of Providence, Rhode Island, is one of the nation’s oldest zoos, exhibiting over 100 animal species. Our culture is built on our core values - community, fun, innovation, diversity, integrity, sustainability, and excellence. We value our role in the community as a treasured place for families and a trusted resource for learning; we create a sense of community for our staff and contribute to the global conservation community. We provide a fun experience for our guests and believe that a fun environment is essential to create a great workplace. We are willing to take risks, to propose novel ideas and to think “out of the box”. Bold dreams are welcome here. We act with respect toward all. We value diversity and are intolerant of bias. Integrity and honesty drive our business practices and our relationships with each other and our constituents. We are driven by our vision of greater sustainability in our environmental practices and in our business model. We believe that by establishing a sustainable financial base we can best achieve our goals. We are always striving for excellence. We work to exceed expectations in all areas. We welcome all who share our core values!

RWPZ is currently recruiting for part-time, Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Event Staff. The Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Staff are responsible for the custodial activities for Roger Williams Park Zoo and Carousel Village during events such as the Asian Lantern Spectacular, Zoobilee, Brew at the Zoo, Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular, Holiday lights as well as Food Truck Fridays and after-hour Zoo events. Though most events are night-time events, there may be times this position will be asked to work day-time shifts as well.
RESPONSIBILITIES

• Provide professional cleaning and maintenance of all public areas and private restroom facilities within the Zoo and Carousel Village, depending on where the event is taking place.
• Litter removal in all public and private areas excluding animal areas.
• Recyclable and trash removal and hauling, liner replacement, and cleaning all receptacles daily and as needed.
• Special event setup, decorating and take down as requested.
• Plan daily work assignments and break schedules.
• Maintain clean viewing glass throughout the zoo.
• Maintain an hourly bathroom check in all areas where the event is happening.
• Proper storage of janitorial equipment and supplies, maintaining well stocked, clean and organized supply closets.
• Maintain a clean dumpster.
• Ability to help with crowd control during organizational events.

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Experience and Education:

One year experience in a cleaning environment.

Skills and Aptitudes:

• Extremely strong:
  o verbal and written communication skills,
  o research skills,
  o customer service skills.
• Comfortable working both independently and collaboratively.
• An appreciation for informal, lifelong learning in agreement with the RWPZ’s mission and commitment to education and conservation.
• 24-hour availability for Zoo emergencies, including storm response.

Additional Requirements:

• Successful completion of a background check.
• Valid state driver’s license.
• Ability to work evenings. This includes Zoo Events such as Asian Lanterns, Zoobilee, Brew at the Zoo, Food Truck Fridays, Holiday Light Spectacular and the Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular.
• Ability to work outdoors in various weather conditions.
• Required to stand, walk, lift and/or move objects up to 50 pounds throughout the zoo to set up for events.

As a part of our Seasonal Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Event Staff, you will be joining our team in showcasing our Zoo pride and excellence in customer service.
If you are interested in this exciting opportunity to be a team member at a well-renowned Zoo in the New England area, send a cover letter, resume and salary requirements to:

Roger Williams Park Zoo

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