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## Now Hiring: 2021 Seasonal Farmer, full-time

### **About the Queens County Farm Museum:**

Queens County Farm Museum is one of the longest continually farmed sites in New York State. The original property was farmed by the Adriance family beginning in 1697. Today, the farm serves as a vital resource connecting people to agriculture and the environment creating conversations about biodiversity, nutrition, health and wellness, climate change and preserving local history. The Queens County Farm Museum is a New York City Landmark, on the National Register of Historic Places and a member of the Historic House Trust of New York City. Queens Farm hosts a wide variety of acclaimed education programs, public events and adult education programs.

### **Job Description:**

The Queens Farm Agriculture Department is looking for a motivated, energetic individual to join its team for the 2021 growing season. Through participation in the day-to-day operations of production, the Seasonal Farmer will learn about the skills necessary to work on a diversified farm.

Each day is different, and our farm team works together on approximately 4 acres to propagate, grow, harvest, process, and sell over 200 varieties of vegetables, fruits, herbs, and flowers. Seasonal Farmers also can gain some experience handling our livestock (2 steers, 2 alpaca, 5 sheep, 7 goats, and laying hens). As a public farm in New York City, Queens Farm is a unique place. Seasonal Farmers are exposed to considerations and responsibilities that extend beyond production, and are expected to patiently and thoughtfully interact with visitors. We strive to cultivate a space which engages people in many different ways.

### **Responsibilities (including, but not limited to):**

- Field work (bed prep, composting, direct seeding, transplanting, trellising, weeding), market work (harvesting, processing, Farmstand facilitation and preparing wholesale orders), greenhouse work, flower arranging, irrigation, animal chores.
- Use of basic farm machinery and vehicles to complete tasks
- Assist with Farmstand facilitation
- Lead volunteer groups
- Visitor engagement

### **Required Experience and Qualifications:**

- At least one (1) full season working in a diversified vegetable operation
- Ability to lift at least 50 lbs
- Ability and willingness to work outside in adverse weather conditions and stand on one's feet for extended periods

- Driver's license and reliable transportation to the farm
- A commitment to learning different ways of growing & selling food and passionate about developing a career in agriculture
- Demonstrated ability to work well in a team and independently
- Demonstrated ability to effectively interact with diverse populations
- Maintain high energy and work efficiently with attention to details and timeliness
- Comfort and ability to work in a **fast paced** work environment

Our ideal candidate is self-motivated, positive, and patient, with stellar people skills and a passion for local food and sustainable food systems. Knowledge about a variety of organic produce would be a great asset to our team as well as an interest in small-scale intensive farming practices.

*Queens County Farm Museum (QCFM) supports diversity in the workplace. QCFM is an equal opportunity / affirmative action employer (EOE) and supports a drug-free workplace.*

**Compensation:**

40 hours/week (at least one (1) weekend day per week required).

\$15/hour. Season runs from late March through early November.

**To Apply:**

Please send a cover letter, resume, and 3 references to the Director of Agriculture, Anne Mastrogiacono: [anne@queensfarm.org](mailto:anne@queensfarm.org)

***Applications will be accepted until position is filled.***