Battery Park City Authority

A City within a City

The Hugh L. Carey Battery Park City Authority is a New York State public benefit corporation whose mission is to plan, create, coordinate, and sustain a balanced community of commercial, residential, retail, and park space within its designated 92-acre site on the lower west side of Manhattan. There is a recognition that, as development of new parcels is completed, the importance of maintenance within the mission will become more significant.



Come Grow with US!

Great Community!

Great Work Culture!

Job Title: Senior Horticulturist – Irrigation Specialist

Job Status: Full-Time

Department: Parks Operations

Salary Range: \$60,000 - \$70,000 annually

Location: 75 Battery Place, NYC 10280

POSITION SUMMARY:

The Senior Horticulturist- Irrigation Specialist is responsible for performing preventative maintenance, repair and troubleshooting for all irrigation under the jurisdiction of Battery Park City Authority (BPCA) in an operable and safe condition. The incumbent should be conscious and proactive towards making BPCA a model of sustainable practices and kept to the standards in which all those who live, work, and visit Battery Park City (BPC) have come to expect. As with all positions, this position will continually exemplify and promote the core values, mission, and culture of BPCA.

Essential Duties:

The list of essential functions as outlined herein is intended to be representative of the tasks performed within this classification. It is not necessarily descriptive of any one position in this class. The omission of an essential function does not preclude management from assigning duties not listed herein if such functions are a logical assignment to the position.

- Actively work with various irrigation systems and help ensure they work effectively, such as
 planning, mapping, installation, repair, and use of dripline, solenoid valves, flush valves, and
 sprinklers to provide water for optimum plant health with minimum waste.
- Collaborate with other staff, including the Plumber, to energize and winterize irrigation systems and detect plant health challenges.
- Schedule, assign and follow up with preventative maintenance tasks accordingly and appropriately.
- Create and modify programs on irrigation controllers proactively and appropriately.
- Ensure an appropriate inventory of necessary and commonly used supplies, tools and parts are onsite and available.
- Maintain, update, and create appropriate records, standard operating procedures, and protocols.
- Coordinate and manage irrigation projects and work productively with other staff.
- Safely and effectively operate equipment, including but not limited to vehicles, hand tools, power equipment, and safety equipment.
- Always maintain a high standard for safety, by timely and safely cautioning off sites for workplace and public safety, use personal protective equipment and adhere to OSHA, PESH, Federal, State and City rules and regulations
- Be available to respond to and assist in emergency situations as directed.
- Identify and report park issues and hazards appropriately and timely.
- Perform emergency and non-emergency work as assigned such as programmed and permitted events, severe weather events such as snow and ice removal and flood protection measures.
- Always maintain professionalism, including when interacting with the public.
- Perform other duties as required within the scope of the position.

Qualifications:

- Minimum of five (5) years' experience in Horticulture
- Minimum of three (3) years working with irrigation systems and components
- Two (2) years of leading a team experience
- Knowledge of commonly used irrigation systems
- High School Diploma or GED
- Valid US Driver License

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Preferred Qualifications:

- Certifications, higher education, and/or trainings on relevant skills
- Experience working in public settings
- Experience with sustainable landscaping practices

Competencies:

- Detail oriented
- Commitment to excellence
- Problem solving
- Excellent communication
- Conflict resolution
- Collaborative

Skills:

- Must be able to work independently and in a team setting and exhibit good judgment
- Ability to learn new skills and maintain up to date information on relevant skills and techniques
- Ability to read blueprints, specifications and schematics
- Excellent knowledge of irrigation systems and associated technology
- Must be able to interact with all levels of management and staff
- Knowledge of Microsoft Office

Physical Requirements:

- Must be willing and able to perform physical labor outdoors in all types of weather
- Stand, sit and squat for long periods of time
- Perform repetitive movements
- Must be able to push, pull and lift 50 pounds
- Must have the physical ability and desire to work with materials
- Uses their hands/body to control, use, and feel objects, tools and controls

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