

Post: Alpine Trainee Placement
Department: Rock, Alpine and Woodland Garden, Outdoor Living Collection (Inverleith)
Division: Horticulture

Job Description

Main Duties

- Maintaining and enhancing the Living Collection in the Alpine, Woodland and Rock Garden areas including:
 - Potting
 - Watering
 - Weeding
 - Propagation
 - Planting
 - Grass cutting
 - Project work within the Gardens
 - Conservation work

Specific Responsibilities and Outcomes

- Develop knowledge of the RBGE alpine collection and the techniques needed to enhance the Living Collection
- Develop knowledge of health and safety
- Work as part of an effective team
- Attend training sessions as required
- Maintain a diary of experience gained and plants worked with
- Support the volunteer policy at RBGE
- Support and promote RBGE and the AGS in a positive way
- Help with conservation work at Mardale Yorkshire
- Write a monthly blog for the AGS, RHS and RBGE
- Give a short presentation of experience gained to the AGS members at their annual conference

Person Specification

Skills/Aptitude	Essential	Desirable
Ability to work to a very high horticultural standard	*	
Computer literate	*	
Good team worker and be able to work individually	*	
Highly motivated	*	
Good communication skills and be able to communicate with people at all levels	*	

Knowledge	Essential	Desirable
Botanical horticulture	*	
Garden maintenance	*	
Interest in Alpines	*	
Propagation techniques	*	

Professional Qualifications	Essential	Desirable
NVQ/SVQ Level 1/2 in a horticultural subject or equivalent work experience		*
PA1/PA6 spraying certification		*