

Landscaping/Grounds Intern - Summer 2021

About Starlight:

Starlight Theatre, recent winner of the Venue Excellence Award from the International Association of Venue Managers (IAVM), is the largest and oldest performing arts organization in Kansas City and the second-largest outdoor producing theatre in the country. Opened as a theatre in 1950 and as a nonprofit organization in 1951, Starlight presents and produces Broadway musicals and concerts while offering extensive community outreach and educational programming, including scholarships and Starlight's Blue Star Awards, one of the largest high school musical theatre award programs in the country. Located on 16 acres, Starlight's venue includes rehearsal halls, club area for dining, concessions, gardens, fountains and a 10-story, climate-controlled stage.

Position Description:

The Landscaping/Grounds Intern will work with Starlight's grounds team, maintaining the landscape throughout the 16-acre theatre campus. The intern will have the opportunity to develop and possibly implement a design concept to enhance an area of the facility. On a daily basis, intern duties may include, but are not limited to, hand-watering; planting and maintenance of gardens; mulching; soil testing; pruning; transplanting; propagation; fertilizing, chemical selection and application; irrigation maintenance and repair; lawn care (mowing, trimming, etc.); and other green-industry tasks. Other duties may include assisting in scheduling, ordering and procurement of supplies, and proper care and maintenance of hand and power tools relevant to the above tasks, as well as occasional assistance to our operations and facilities teams.

Majors Desired:

Horticulture or similar; sophomore or junior status preferred. Those without a Horticulture major but with a strong passion for *and* experience in the above tasks are also encouraged to apply.

Requirements:

As Starlight is a year-round facility (in constant *outdoor* operation March - October), you must be willing to work rotating weekends and/or holidays. Successful interns possess a strong desire to work outdoors in all-weather conditions (rain, heat, sun, storms), are passionate about world-class, unique landscapes, are attentive to details, able to problem-solve a range of problems and are timely and punctual. Knowledge of and experience with common horticulture/landscaping practices and techniques are a plus. Candidates with moderate experience but a curious mind, strong work ethic and a passion for this field of work will be considered.

Compensation: \$10.50 per hour, plus overtime

Time Commitment: Full-time, approximately 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. five days a week for 14 weeks, from May to August. Start and end dates are negotiable.

Application Method: Email is required.

Application Deadline: Monday, March 8, 2021 (Early application is preferred.)

Application Process:

1. **Review the Application Instructions found here:** www.kcstarlight.com/internships
2. **Submit the following documents to internships@kcstarlight.com by the deadline:**
 - a. Application
 - b. Cover Letter with required questions to be answered (See Application Instructions.)
 - c. Résumé
3. **Wait to be contacted.** The hiring party for the position will advise each candidate regarding receipt of materials as well as candidate status. We strive to complete the hiring process in as timely and efficient a manner as possible - shortly after the deadline date.
4. **If you are selected for an interview, we may conduct it in person at the theatre, or via an online entity. In-person is preferred.**

For more information on this position:

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