

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

HEAD GARDENER wanted for THE BRESSINGHAM GARDENS

A new position to manage the renowned 17-acre gardens, famous for Alan Bloom's Dell Garden, and Adrian Bloom's adjacent Garden at Foggy Bottom.

This position is planned to start in early 2023, which is 70 years from when perennial nurseryman Alan Bloom began planting his now famous 'Island Beds' of Perennials which revolutionised the way perennials were to be grown.

Jaime Blake, present Head Gardener and Curator of the Dell Garden is shortly to retire from the role and Adrian Bloom, who started his Foggy Bottom Garden from an empty meadow is, as owner and present Head Gardener, anxious to spend more time writing. Both however, with their depth of knowledge and long experience, will help support the selected candidate in this challenging new position.

The successful candidate will be expected to not only have a passion for plants, but a passion for people, customers, visitors and above all garden staff and volunteers.

Knowledge, Skills and Experience:

- Trained as a professional gardener/ horticulturalist. Good level of practical experience
- RHS Level 3 or equivalent
- Excellent knowledge of plant husbandry and horticultural techniques covering a wide range of plant types
- Experience and confidence in working with and managing garden staff as well as supervising trainee staff, volunteers and contractors as required, alongside proficient communication skills
- Confidence with machinery/equipment use and maintenance including tractors, chainsaws and mowers with accreditation as required for Health and Safety compliance
- Knowledge of Health and Safety and compliance requirements
- PA1 & PA6 qualifications

Job Type: Full-time, 40 hours

Salary to be discussed in the light of experience.

Closing date: 23rd September 2022

To apply, please email a CV and covering letter to adrianbloom@bressinghamgardens.com