Position Title: Preserve Technician

Location
Teatown is a non-profit 1,000 acre nature preserve and education center located in Westchester County, NY that hosts over 20,000 visitors annually. We host a variety of education programs for all ages and provide valuable recreational opportunities across 15 miles of hiking trails.

Position overview
Teatown is seeking a highly motivated, full-time employee to assist with stewardship, trail maintenance and grounds work throughout the property. The Preserve Technician will work collaboratively with other full-time and seasonal staff. Applicants should expect to work outside in all weather conditions. This position will include a wide range of responsibilities including, but not limited to, invasive species management, mowing campus grounds & trails, cleaning up fallen trees, snow removal, and planning work projects for volunteers and interns. The technician will gain plant identification skills and may be trained in tractor and chainsaw use as needed, however some prior experience using heavy machinery and with plant identification is strongly preferred. Technicians will directly report to the Stewardship & Grounds Supervisor.

Hours & Rate
$45,000-50,000 commensurate on experience. This is a full-time salaried position with a regular work week of Monday-Friday, 7 hours a day, with weekend and evening work required on occasion. Benefits include paid time off, health, vision, dental, life insurance and a 403(b)-retirement plan.

Responsibilities:
- Daily trail maintenance including mowing and tree removal.
- Daily task coordination with seasonal staff.
- Invasive species management according to goals outlined in the Stewardship Framework.
- Planning and leading work projects with volunteers.
- Collecting data for ecological monitoring.
- Monitoring field cameras and assisting with wildlife management coordination.
- Trail repairs including erosion control and boardwalk maintenance.
- Operating tractors for invasive cleanup and field mowing.
- Landscaping rental properties, including mowing, and weed whacking.
- Conducting monthly dam inspections and maintaining lake spillways.
- Removing snow including shoveling, salting/sanding, plowing, snow blowing.
Requirements:

- 2 years of appropriate work experience.
- Ability to lift 40-50 lbs unassisted.
- A valid driver’s license.
- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively.
- Experience working with power tools (hedgers, mowers, circular saws, etc.)
- Experience using heavy or dangerous equipment such as chainsaws, ATVs, farm tractors, and backhoes (preferred but not required).
- Ability to work outside in a variety of environmental conditions.
- Excellent communication and organizational skills.
- Experience soliciting contractors and overseeing contract work.
- Experience working with volunteers.
- Proof of full COVID-19 vaccination sequence, including booster shot(s) where applicable

TO APPLY: Please submit cover letter & resume to rpolicello@teatown.org. Applications accepted until positions are filled.