

The QUEENS COUNTY FARM MUSEUM

Now hiring: Farm Manager

The Queens County Farm Museum is a 47-acre working farm dating back to 1697. We are a nonprofit public resource, visited by over 400,000 people each year. The site includes a landmark farmhouse, glass greenhouse, and restored barns which give us a glimpse into our agrarian past. Its rich glacial soil—which attracted European settlers in the 17th century—is cultivated today using sustainable practices, providing people with the freshest food. We are a New York City treasure where historic structures, productive fields, woodland, and livestock bring agricultural history to life.

Job Description: Farm Manager

Queens Farm is seeking a Farm Manager. Supervised by the Director of Agriculture, the Farm Manager will help run all aspects of the Agriculture Department, which include three acres of diversified market produce and flowers, markets, livestock, compost, perennial gardens, and seasonal farm staff. This position will begin in **winter 2019**.

Applicants should be passionate about developing their career as a farmer. Preference will be given to applicants with experience managing small farm operations. Positive attitude, strong commitment and physical effort are required, and solid organizational skills are essential. Additional prerequisites include: ability to spearhead projects, problem solve, and work independently, as well as to lead a crew. Queens Farm is a **public** farm in the most diverse county in the country, so exceptional interpersonal skills are important.

Skills & Qualifications

- At least 3 years of farming (with at least 1 year of management)
- Tractor experience, as well as ability to use and maintain string trimmer, flame weeder, brush mower
- Understanding of drip irrigation systems and supplies
- Crop planning, crop rotation, propagation and greenhouse management know-how
- Farmer's Market skills (post-harvest handling, presentation, quick math, customer service)
- Experience caring for livestock is a plus
- Exceptional leadership qualities
- Patience, flexibility, strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Self-motivation; Ability to anticipate tasks and projects
- Excellent organizational skills with attention to detail, systems, time management, and prioritization
- Experience dealing with the public in polite, professional manner
- Ability to lift at least 50 pounds and to be outside in adverse weather conditions

Hours & Compensation

40 hours/week. Hours of work vary depending upon program demands. Weekend hours often required.

Pay: \$20/hr.

To Apply:

Please send cover letter, resume, and 3 references to Director of Agriculture, Jen: jen@queensfarm.org

The Queens County Farm Museum is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes candidates from diverse backgrounds.