2019 BONSAI INTERNSHIP

Description
The National Bonsai & Penjing Museum located at the U.S. National Arboretum is seeking an intern for 2019. The intern will be trained by the bonsai staff in the care and maintenance of the bonsai collection. Weekend work will be required. The length of the internship is one year. The approximate start date is February 1, 2019. The internship is paid through a stipend funded by the National Bonsai Foundation.

Qualifications
Applicants should have an active interest in the art of bonsai. The incumbent should have a basic understanding of plant care and have the ability to accurately follow instructions relating to planting, pruning, weeding and other routine garden maintenance tasks.

Duties & Working Conditions
Duties include assisting with the day to day care of the bonsai collection. The intern will work under the direction of the museum staff. The intern will assist in a wide variety of tasks required in the maintenance of the bonsai collection as needed such as watering, repotting, trimming and wiring.

Interns may have contact with visitors. The majority of the work will be outdoors and may involve heavy lifting and exposure to extreme heat and humidity. Duties may also include work in the museum’s gardens.

To apply: Please send a cover letter indicating availability, resume, references, and transcripts (unofficial are acceptable) via email to USNA.Internships@ars.usda.gov. Questions? Contact the internship office at (202) 245-4563 or USNA.Internships@ars.usda.gov