**Position Title:** Grounds Technician

**Job summary:**

We’re seeking a qualified individual to perform and coordinate all duties required in the care and maintenance of irrigation, turfgrass, drainage systems and landscape equipment.

**Responsibilities:**

- Assist with the supervision of the gardeners, work with them on a daily basis and provide training in proper horticultural techniques.
- Monitor, design, install, and replace or repair irrigation systems.
- Perform and coordinate weekly turfgrass maintenance and projects.
- Coordinate chemical applications for turfgrass with turf contractor.
- Design, install, diagnose, and replace or repair drainage systems.
- Perform minor preventative and corrective maintenance on various landscape equipment, including pumps, weed eaters, chainsaws, blowers, pressure washers, hand power tools, golf carts, trailers, tillers, aerators and lawn mowers.
- Coordinate routine heavy equipment services and repairs on vehicles, tractors, implements and backhoes with outside contractors.
- Operate standard power equipment including power tools, reel mowers, heavy machinery and perform heavy lifting.
- Create and close out work orders related to assets and maintenance tasks, including labor and material costs tracking.

**Education and Experience:**

Associate’s degree in landscape management, turf, horticulture or related field, or high school diploma with equivalent work experience.

Preferred: Previous professional experience in the field of grounds maintenance. Knowledge of turfgrass management in the southeast. Understanding of irrigation design concepts.
**Physical requirements:**

Ability to lift 50 lbs.
Willingness and ability to perform physical work outside in all weather conditions.
Ability to carry, climb, push, stoop, reach, dig and to load and unload various objects.
Ability to operate various power tools and heavy equipment.
Must possess a valid South Carolina Driver’s license and be willing to obtain a South Carolina Pesticide Applicator’s license.

**Working conditions:**

The majority of time will be spent working outside in the garden, though some office work is also required. Summers are hot and humid with exposure to biting insects and poison ivy.

**Compensation:** This is a full time exempt position with a competitive salary commensurate with experience.

**About the garden:**

Moore Farms Botanical Garden is a nonprofit organization set on over 500 acres near Lake City, South Carolina. The garden is cultivated on 60 acres and is a dynamic mix of formal, naturalistic, and agrarian landscapes. Garden areas include a formal garden, vegetable garden, green roof, muscadine vineyard, pond gardens, formal shrub borders, and a greenhouse and nursery. Other land use includes agriculture, forestry and wildlife habitat. We are currently in a period of growth in both our horticultural displays and programming. This is a very exciting time to be part of the MFBG team. Please visit our website at moorefarmsbg.org to learn more.

Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to Ethan Kauffman at ekauffman@moorefarmsbg.org.