Matthaei-Nichols offers many opportunities for volunteering throughout the year. Below are opportunities we are actively recruiting for within the next few months. If you have an interest in any of the below e-mail cmchess@umich.edu

OUTDOOR GARDEN TEAMS (2020 SEASON)

Volunteers work alongside staff to maintain a variety of unique garden spaces at Matthaei and the Arboretum. Activities include weeding, pruning, mulching, and other season garden maintenance as needed.

Garden teams meet on a set weekday, 9am-12pm, and the weekday varies based on the garden. A spring kick-off is required but we also will accept volunteers on a rolling basis as needed.

Garden spaces volunteers help maintain: Perennial, Great Lakes, Gateway, Herb Knot, Medicinal, Peony, Children, and Roving (throughout the property).

Upcoming info session: Tues, April 14th (2-3:30pm). Pre-registration required.

GARDEN AMBASSADORS (2020 SEASON)

We seek volunteers with a love of learning and interest in working with a diverse population of visitors, including children and families, in our outdoor garden spaces. Shifts are variable based on the specific Ambassador program. May-September time frame, with the exception of the Peony program only having June shifts.

Training dates are listed below. Pre-registration required.

- Children’s Garden Ambassador — Sat, April 18th (8am-12pm)
- General Garden Ambassador — Sat, April 18th (8am-12pm)
- Peony Ambassador — Thurs, April 23rd (6-7:30pm)

Volunteers for the April 18th session will then break off into their primary interest of Children’s Garden or other garden spaces.

OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Depending on your interests and schedule, we have other opportunities that may be a good fit for you—ranging from outdoor garden work to special events and more. Review our website for further details and application: https://mbgna.umich.edu/volunteer/