Vanessa Boukili

From:

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To:

Vanessa Boukili

Subject:

Re: Somerville Seeking Residents to Serve on City's Urban Forestry Committee

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Dear Vanessa,

Thank you so much for reaching out regarding the vacancy on the Urban Forestry Committee, I have attached my resume for your review.

With my three years of experience at the Arnold Arboretum, I have grown more accustomed to the unique challenges the urban environment poses to the establishment and care of plants, but also the unique power that public horticulture has on a community. My education was focused around soil health in the field of agronomy, but that was quickly translatable to horticulture, where I believe soil is often overlooked. I have a passion for tending to plants, and I have found in my work that the return on investment is exponential from what you put in. It's been over four years since I first called Somerville home, and I truly take ownership over this community now. I would like to continue my work in advocating and cultivating sustainable green spaces for generations to come, and I believe my skills and experience could be put to good use as a member on the Somerville Urban Forestry Committee.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application for the position. If you have any questions regarding

All the best, Conor

Conor M. Guidarelli

Somerville, MA 02143

Education

Colorado State University

Fort Collins, CO

• Bachelor of Science, Soil & Crop Sciences, Cum Laude, December 2014

Professional Experience

The Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University

Boston, MA

Horticulturist (September 2016-Present)

- Manage 14 acres of highly intensive and genetically important tree and shrub collections in an urban public park
- Coordinate and manage processing of waste materials for our composting facility
- Facilitate and educate various teams of Norfolk Aggie interns, Hunnewell Interns, term employees, and colleagues in horticultural duties
- Lead on implementing soil health initiatives; facilitator and crew representative for the Soils Advisory Committee
- Guest lecturer for Harvard Graduate School of Design Course 1211 on Intro to Soils

Recover Green Roofs

Somerville, MA

Assistant Manager of Operations & Sustainability (August 2015-September 2016)

- Created blueprint for Recover to be zero-waste by 2021
- Improved administrative operations through systems development and data collection
- Facilitated orientation and training program for new hires
- Site foreman for green roof build sites through operating equipment, handling detail work and managing crew
- Manage inventory, organization and maintenance of warehouse, tools, materials and vehicle fleet

The Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University

Boston, MA

Temporary Gardener (June 2015-August 2015)

- Complete grounds upkeep through mowing, irrigating, mulching, brush chipping, weeding, and litter management
- Operated and performed routine maintenance on power equipment
- Mentored interns on equipment use and property management techniques

Inyanga Ranch LLC.

Glenwood Springs, CO

Consultant (May-Aug. 2013, 2014)

- Carried out pasture irrigation operations, heavy equipment use, and daily ranch maintenance
- Revitalized old growth forest and wetland area through remediation efforts
- · Headed pilot cold-hardy grape vineyard research and layout planning
- Developed property management strategies through biological, mechanical and chemical means

Licenses & Certifications

Certified Arborist- International Society of Arboriculture

Commercial Pesticide License- Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources Hoisting Engineer 2A/1C- Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Safety OSHA 10:Construction Safety and Health- Occupational Safety and Health Administration CPR and AED Trained-American Red Cross

Qualified Rigging and Signal Person-Operator Network Crane Training