National Trust

Hardwick Hall

'Handyperson' Team Facilities Support Volunteer



About this place

Hardwick is a stunning Elizabethan house with park and gardens. Hardwick offers visitors a year-round experience, from colourful herbaceous borders and prize-winning vegetables that are used in the restaurant to the picturesque circular parkland walks and plenty of family friendly activities.

Role summary

We are looking for friendly and practical people to join our Wednesday 'Handyperson' team, to help us perform maintenance and compliance tasks across the Hardwick Estate. If you have practical DIY skills, this may be the volunteer role for you.

What's involved?

- Undertake any basic maintenance and repairs that you are capable of doing and do not require a specialist technician ie, painting, carpentry, changing locks.
- Completing a range of compliance tasks periodically, these tasks could include; basic visual inspections, testing emergency lighting, collecting meter reads, fire door checks, fire extinguisher checks, adjusting time clocks.
- Establishing supportive and effective working relationships with the Facilities team and volunteers.
- Follow a task schedule developed by the Facilities team.
- Maintaining and reporting any defaults and supporting with data inputting.
- Ensure all tasks are completed safely and comply with all safety legislation and good practice guidance.
- Tasks will be both indoors and outdoors across the property
- Currently hosting sessions once a week on a Wednesday. Possibility of variable hours, and days in the future.

This role will suit you if you are...

- Friendly and happy to work as part of a team.
- Someone who is comfortable undertaking a range of different tasks and not afraid of getting stuck in.
- Have an eye for detail and methodological in approach.
- A practical person with basic health and safety awareness.
- Self-motivated, working on own initiative and unsupervised.
- Good time management and organisational skills.
- Adaptable and reliable, as maintenance needs change regularly every week will be different.
- Take pride in your work.
- Willing to make a regular time commitment.
- Interested in the Hardwick Estate and keen to promote work going on here.

By getting involved you could

- Be involved in performing and supporting basic maintenance, including mending gates, building garden furniture, basic plumbing tasks.
- Support us to monitor our compliance tasks across the property i.e., meter readings, checking fire extinguishers and first aid kits.
- Work as part of a team that is committed to meeting health and safety standards, ensuring the site is operational and safe for our visitors, staff and volunteers
- Learn more about what the National Trust does and volunteer alongside people from a wide range of disciplines.
- Use your skills to support a valuable cause.

https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/peak-district-derbyshire/hardwick/volunteer-opportunities-at-hardwick