



## **Volunteer Welcome Back & Recruitment Event May 1st 2025**

### **Volunteer opportunities with the Conservation Department**

Contact: Sheila Murray, Conservation Botanist at: [Sheila.Murray@thearb.org](mailto:Sheila.Murray@thearb.org)

- Off-site activity The Arizona Flora Finders, a citizen science project to survey for rare plant species.
- Off-site activity Healthy Forests Healthy Cities, a citizen science project to monitor rural forest and urban tree health.

### **Volunteer opportunities with the Gardens/Horticulture Department**

Contact: Sarah Armanovs, Gardens Manager at: [gardens@thearb.org](mailto:gardens@thearb.org)

- Thursdays from 9:30-11:30am every week. Check in at the Visitor Center to find out where to meet that day.
- May 3 from 9-11am Volunteer Spring Project Day
- July 19 from 9-11am Volunteer Monsoon Project Day
- Looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to help keep the Herb Garden weeded on a weekly/bi-weekly basis.

### **Volunteer opportunities with the Greenhouse/ Horticulture Department**

Contact: Gina Goegan, Greenhouse Manager at: [gina.goegan@thearb.org](mailto:gina.goegan@thearb.org)

- Volunteer activities include potting up plants, pot washing, veggie garden weeding and maintenance, retail nursery assistance (helping customers by sharing plant knowledge) and assisting with annual plant sales on July 12th and September 6th.
- Scheduling is flexible, just email with desired tasks and times and we can go from there.

### **Volunteer opportunities with the Visitor Center**

Contact: Sylvia Coppers, Naturalist and Visitor Services Manager at:  
visitorcenter@thearb.org

- Leading Naturalist Walks for the general public on the Arb's grounds
- Updating exhibits in our exhibit hall - new ideas, interactive designs, etc.
- Updating bloom board
- Any other creative ideas to elevate the visitor center and boost visitor experience!
- Will call help for concerts (2 people)
- Handing out maps/giving directions/site orientation on weekends
- Email me with volunteering ideas/interests and we can go from there. Scheduling is flexible and should take place during The Arb's regular business hours.

### **Volunteer opportunities with the Education Department**

Contact: Helena Murray, Education Manager at: Helena.Murray@thearb.org

- Leading school field trips in May, August, September and October
- Assisting with Eco-Explorer Summer Camps June and July
- Leading a lesson/activity during summer camps as a STEM professional
- Helping with outreach events (ie. Science in the Park, STEM Celebration)
- Set up and take down of outreach events
- Assembling and maintaining self guided adventure backpacks
- Organizing education storage areas
- Email me with volunteering ideas/interests and we can go from there. Scheduling is flexible and should take place during The Arb's regular business hours.

### **Volunteer opportunities for Special Events**

Contact Bren Sessions, Membership and Information Specialist at:  
bren.sessions@thearb.org

- Pumpkin Walk (Oct 25th)- we need ticket takers, parking attendants, hot beverage makers, kids activities tables and photo booth, story reading.
- Summer Garden Party (Aug 23rd)- ticket takers, bussers, raffle ticket sales.
- Contact local businesses for Summer Garden Party silent auction and raffle donations. A letter will be provided that you can give or email to them with our non-profit info.

### **Volunteer opportunities for Hummingbird Feeders on Arb grounds**

Contact Ellen Wade, Docent and Board Member at: ellencobbwade@me.com

- Clean feeders and refill. Rotating monthly schedule.