

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EXPERIENCE AND INTERESTS

How would you describe your gardening experience?

- Beginner Experienced Master

Why do you want to volunteer?

Do you have horticultural training? Are you involved in other gardening groups?

Do you have any skills, expertise or experience beneficial to the organization in areas such as fundraising, research, computer, library or teaching?



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The Gardens at Gantz Farm



The Gardens at Gantz Farm Volunteers



Gantz Park
2255 Home Road
Grove City, OH 43123



ABOUT THE GARDENS AT GANTZ FARM

THE GARDENS AT GANTZ VOLUNTEERS

Are you a veteran gardener or just appreciate a pretty bloom or the scent of a fragrant herb?

You will find something of interest as a Garden at Gantz volunteer.

The volunteers have supported the Gardens at Gantz Farm since 1991 through education, fundraising and charitable efforts. This diverse group of men and women comes from across central Ohio to operate as an independent, non-profit organization.

Our goal is to encourage the interest in and use of herbs, to assist with the development and historic preservation of the Gardens at Gantz Farm, and to have fun along the way.

Activities

The Gardens at Gantz volunteers have a variety of opportunities from which to choose:

- Host or attend workshops.
- Assist with adult and youth programs.
- Participate in topic-based interest groups.
- Conduct tours of the Gardens at Gantz Park, labyrinth and rain garden.
- Travel regionally to tea shops, museums, gardens, greenhouses/shops and festivals.
- Create herbal products and sell them at the Grove City Farmers' Market.
- Take advantage of a lending library with hundreds of gardening-related media.



Fundraising

The volunteers host two annual fundraisers that make our activities possible and support the gardens:

Spring Symposium

Generally conducted in March, the annual symposiums attract more than 100 guests from Ohio and neighboring states. Each event features renowned speakers, unique vendors, favors and door prizes.

Herb & Perennial Plant Sale

This sale each May attracts plant lovers from around the region to browse hundreds of varieties of herbs, perennials, day lilies, grasses and other plants.

Support a Cause

Supporting the Gardens at Gantz and the Gantz Farmhouse is at the heart of everything we do. This includes sharing the history of our unique facilities and the beauty and usefulness of herbs.

Join the Gardens at Gantz Volunteers

To join, you must complete an application and attend new volunteer training classes. The volunteer application appears in this brochure and can be downloaded at Parks.GroveCityOhio.gov/Gantz.

For more information, contact the Gantz Farmhouse as 614-871-6323 or 614-277-3058.

The Gardens at Gantz Farm is a collection of unique herb gardens divided into sections that illustrate how herbal gardens have evolved over the years.

Garden of Today

Representing trends from the late 20th century, the forms and materials in this garden change. Curving walls and walks of wire-cut brick contrast with the old brick of the Garden of Yesterday and geometric forms of the Garden of Tomorrow. Emphasizing the uses of plant products and the relationships between plants.

Garden of Tomorrow

This garden focuses on landscaping herbs and their sensory effects. The plants serve as focal points, ground cover and other roles. Many are grown in containers.

Garden of Yesterday

Typical of Ohio in the 1840s when the Gantz farmhouse was built, this kitchen garden demonstrates herbs with multiple uses, heirloom vegetables and old fruit varieties that could be preserved and stored for winter.

Gantz Labyrinth

Labyrinths, ancient meditation tools dating back more than 4,000 years, represent the journey to one's spiritual center and back to the world. Its circular paths have one entrance point leading to a center with no dead ends. Our labyrinth is surrounded by an herbal grove that includes American beech, sweet bay magnolia and sassafras.

Rain Garden

Installed in 2010 as a demonstration garden, the rain garden is strategically placed in a low-lying area to catch the runoff from the garage roof and parking lot above. Deep-rooted and drought-tolerant plants filter storm water through their roots and the soil so ground water is cleaner as it enters local streams.

In addition to the volunteers, Grove City employees make the Gardens at Gantz Farm possible:

- Linda Rosine, Environmental Coordinator
- Gloria Hartung, Garden Education Specialist
- Jim Lanman, Gardener