Arts Event Coordinator Apprentice Position
Summer 2020 Internship Opportunity

About New Haven Farms/New Haven Land Trust: This newly merged organization unites two nonprofits that have been leaders and innovators of New Haven’s urban environmental movement. The New Haven Land Trust (NHLT), Connecticut’s first urban land trust, has served the community for nearly 40 years by acquiring and stewarding over 80 acres of nature preserves city-wide and by supporting 55 community gardens throughout New Haven’s diverse neighborhoods. NHLT has grown significantly over the last five years to include programs for young environmental entrepreneurs and a marine and coastal exploration summer camp on Long Island Sound. New Haven Farms (NHF) burst onto the scene seven years ago with its innovative Farm-Based Wellness Program (FBWP) that partners with medical centers to engage people with diet-related chronic disease risk factors in learning about nutrition and gardening at one of their seven urban farms across New Haven.

Both organizations have a growing commitment to racial equity and community leadership and have taken strides in cultivating community ownership among its stakeholders. A large part of both organizations’ work, especially New Haven Farms, takes place in bi-lingual settings, with Spanish as the predominant language. The merged organization synergizes closely aligned missions, values, programming, and diverse support networks into a leader for advancing engagement and stewardship of urban nature as a resource for healthy people and communities.

Position Description: We are looking for an intern to coordinate a series of arts and cultural events at community gardens, farms, and nature preserves around the city. Past events have included live music, mural painting, outdoor movie-screenings, cooking demos, arts and crafts, and more. We are looking for two creative and independent people to schedule and put on at least 17 events (1 event per week) in collaboration with community garden coordinators and our staff. The interns would also be welcome to lead one or more of the workshops based on their own artistic interests and talents.

Required Skills: We are looking for individuals with:

- Ability to self-motivate and pursue project goals without significant supervision;
- Enthusiasm for urban agriculture and environmental issues;
- A background in the arts and events coordination
Interest in working in a small but dynamic team of colleagues and occasionally supporting multiple initiatives over the summer;

- Familiarity with New Haven
- A driver’s license
- This program is specifically designed for applicants from diverse and traditionally underrepresented backgrounds

Hours/Wages: The internships will run 25 hours per week for 10 weeks. We are looking for one intern to work June 1st through August 9th and another to work July 20th through September 27th. This internship will be funded through the state’s “Arts Workforce Initiative” apprentice program at a rate of $15 per hour, paid through New Haven Farms/New Haven Land Trust.

Internship Dates: This year, in order to streamline our internship program, we will offer two intern orientation/start dates: June 1st and July 20th. Internships run for 10 weeks.

Supervisors: This position will be supervised by the Community Garden Manager and Garden Education Coordinator.

Application Details: Applications must be submitted through the CT State website.

If applicants have additional questions about the position, they should feel free to reach out to the organization via email or by calling 203-562-6655.