



# FREDERIK MEIJER Gardens & Sculpture Park

## JOB POSTING – CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN

**Department:** Sculpture & Exhibitions

**Supervisor:** Director of Sculpture, Art Collections, Exhibitions & Installations

**Pay Type:** Hourly, Full-time, Non-Exempt

**Date Posted:** December 7, 2021

**Position Summary:** The Conservation Technician is responsible for sculpture conservation and maintenance projects. Of primary consideration are the outdoor artworks situated throughout the property in all areas. The Conservation Technician will also assist with sculpture installations and the temporary exhibition program as needed.

### Essential Functions:

- Assist in maintaining the well-being of objects in the permanent collection through daily inspection and maintenance
- Conduct seasonal and annual maintenance projects as assigned
- Keep active, daily conservation records of the permanent collection
- Assist in reviewing and evaluating objects under consideration for acquisition or accession for condition, needed treatment and ongoing maintenance
- Assist with the placement and installation of the permanent collection
- Assist with delivery and temporary storage of the permanent collection objects and objects under acquisition consideration
- Assist with installation, upkeep, and maintenance of temporary exhibitions
- Assist with implementation of “Garden Etiquette” while on duty
- Other duties as assigned by supervisor

### Organizational Expectations:

- Embrace and adhere to Meijer Gardens’ mission, brand statement, operating model, policies, procedures, and guiding principles with a strong emphasis on professional behavior and treating others with dignity and respect
- Embrace the fact that we are a non-profit institution that serves the public and that you will work with a broad and diverse group of employees, volunteers, members, and guests
- A flexible and collaborative culture is important. Other duties may be assigned within the department as well as across the organization.

### Education and/or Qualifications preferred:

**Education:** Bachelor’s degree in art, art history, conservation, or museum studies or any combination of equivalent education, training, and work experience

**Experience:** Two years of experience with art maintenance/conservation preferred

**Skills/Knowledge/Licenses:** Proven ability to work with three-dimensional objects. Able to successfully operate equipment and utilize technology requisite to museum installation and object maintenance/conservation. Must be able to work comfortably and professionally with donors, committees, artists, artist’s representatives, volunteers, and the public. Ability to work with discretion and maintain confidentiality. Must be able to maintain lift certification.

**Working Conditions:** Office environment with outdoor activities (all weather, any season). Must be willing and able to work a flexible schedule (weekends, evenings & holidays) during specific installation and conservation periods. Ability to lift 50 lbs. Must be able to work independently and accomplish tasks successfully in a fast-paced, multi-disciplinary environment.

Apply online at <http://www.meijergardens.org/contact/careers/> or send your cover letter and resume to [hr@meijergardens.org](mailto:hr@meijergardens.org).

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*As part of our onboarding process, all new hires are required to complete our background check and drug screen process, which tests for amphetamines, cocaine, opiates, and phencyclidine.*

**Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park promotes the enjoyment, understanding, and appreciation of gardens, sculpture, the natural environment, and the arts.**