



## Gardener

(June 1 - July 31, 2026)

A Rocha Canada  
A Rocha Ontario Centre | 1440 Westover Road, Millgrove, ON L8B 1S1

### SUMMARY OF PRIMARY JOB FUNCTIONS

A Rocha Ontario has a 4000 sq ft garden area that is used as a teaching garden, as vegetable production for local social service agencies, and as a native plant nursery for restoration projects. The Gardener will be responsible for planting, watering, and maintaining the garden beds. They will also be responsible for distribution of produce to service partners in the Hamilton area. The Gardener will work with the Education Coordinator to assist with garden-related educational programming and with the Conservation Coordinator to assist with native species planting around the property. The Gardener will report to the Program Manager.

### IDEAL CANDIDATE

The ideal candidate has prior landscaping & gardening experience and is comfortable working outside in all weather. They may have a background in horticulture, landscape design, agricultural studies, forestry, environmental studies or experience in a related field. This role requires a detail-oriented candidate who has the ability to take initiative, work independently and stay organized. The ideal candidate has a passion for the natural world and shares A Rocha's values of environmental stewardship.

### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Plant, weed, water, and generally maintain the teaching, vegetable, and native plant garden at the A Rocha Ontario Centre
- Work with the team to develop garden-based workshops for the general public
- Engage professionally with students and visitors to the garden
- Distribute produce to local social service agencies as directed by the Program Manager
- Communicate with organizational partners and service providers with professionalism and tact
- Participate in team meetings and learning sessions

### QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

- Embodies A Rocha Canada's Vision, Commitments and Core Values
- Education/experience in gardening, landscaping, or agriculture.
- Track record exhibiting ability to collaborate with a team and communicate with the public
- Proven ability to take initiative, manage details, and complete tasks in timely manner
- Willingness to work outdoors in a variety of weather conditions
- Commitment to learning and growth
- Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record Check required
- Eligible to participate in Canada Summer Jobs program (Canadian citizen, permanent resident or person with official refugee status who is 15-30 years of age and legally entitled to work in Canada)



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### HOURS OF WORK & COMPENSATION

- Workweek: 31 hours/week, Monday to Friday (with occasional weekend events)
- Work Term: June 1 - July 31, 2026 (9 weeks, dates are negotiable)
- Wages: \$18.00/hour

### APPLICATION PROCESS

- Application Closing Date: Open until filled.
- To apply, please email resume and cover letter as a single pdf file to [ontario@arocha.ca](mailto:ontario@arocha.ca).
- Please include the position title (Gardener) in the email subject line.
- Only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted.
- This position is contingent upon funding through the Canada Summer Jobs program.