

National Tropical Botanical Garden
Director of Limahuli Garden & Preserve

The National Tropical Botanical Garden, under its Congressional charter, administers gardens of extraordinary beauty and historical significance, advancing scientific research, public education, and plant conservation. This work is carried out at five gardens and three preserves in Hawaii and Florida. The NTBG is seeking a Director to manage all aspects of operations at Limahuli Garden and Preserve. This 1,000 acre property, located in the northshore community of Haena, Kauai, contains significant Hawaiian cultural and archaeological sites. The preserve encompasses three ecological zones with natural populations of rare and endangered plant species and is the centerpiece of restoration ecology programs. A hallmark of this award-winning garden has been developing scientific collections of Hawaiian ethnobotanical and native plants in the context of an Hawaiian ahupua'a system.

Qualifications: Bachelors degree (Masters preferred) in Horticulture, Botany, Ethnobotany, or Botanical Garden Management. A minimum of five years practical experience in horticulture, botany or management of a botanical garden is preferred. Knowledge of tropical plants, especially Hawaiian species, and restoration ecology practices, is an asset. Experience working with Hawaiian cultural practitioners, and a familiarity with the Hawaiian language and ahupua'a concept is preferred. Excellent written and oral communication skills, managerial experience, computer competence, and successful grant writing are required. Must be able to work collaboratively with a multicultural staff, community, cultural experts, and a multidisciplinary team of scientists, educators, and conservationists.

Send résumé, cover letter and three reference letters by January 7, 2005 to:

National Tropical Botanical Garden
Attn: Limahuli Garden & Preserve Director Search Committee
3530 Papalina Road
Kalaheo, Hawaii 96741

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