



THE ENID A. HAUPT FELLOWSHIP IN HORTICULTURE

The Smithsonian Institution's Gardens invites applications for research fellowships in the field of horticulture. Fellowships are in-residential and support full-time independent, thesis and dissertation research. The Enid A. Haupt Fellowship in Horticulture was made possible by a generous endowment from philanthropist Enid Annenberg Haupt who, during her lifetime, passionately supported the creation of public gardens and preservation of horticultural institutions. In that same spirit, the Smithsonian Institution's Gardens offers the Haupt Fellowship to encourage the study of, and professions in, the field of horticulture in its broadest sense.

Introduction

The Enid A. Haupt Fellowship in Horticulture aims to advance the knowledge and understanding of the roles and significance of horticulture in society, and to contribute to the ongoing dialog in the field. Proposals may address, but are certainly not limited to, the following topics: the cultural significance of public gardens in urban society; the environmental effects of urban settings on horticultural endeavors; art in the garden; vernacular gardens; regional garden types; the business of horticulture or floriculture; historic garden trends and design features; historic garden preservation; and public garden administration. It is natural for proposals to be geared toward the collections and resources located at the Smithsonian Institution, but fellows are also encouraged to use specialized holdings in libraries, archives and public and historic gardens in the Washington, D.C, metropolitan area.

The fellowship recipient will have access to the collections of the Smithsonian's Archives of American Gardens, the Garden Furnishings and Horticultural Artifacts Collection, and the expertise of horticulturists and landscape architects who manage the Smithsonian gardens in Washington, D.C. The Botany and Horticulture Branch Library of the Smithsonian Institution Libraries also provides a rich resource on the history of American gardens and gardening of the late nineteenth century to the present. In addition to supporting research in all aspects of American history, the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History Library includes thousands of historic horticulture trade catalogs in its collections.

Previous Haupt Fellowships have been awarded to scholars whose research interests have considered the field of horticulture from agrarian, architectural, cultural, economic, environmental, historical, social and technological perspectives. More recent Haupt Fellows, whose topics have utilized the Smithsonian's Garden collections, have had the opportunity to contribute to the *American Garden Legacy* exhibition series, organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES) in collaboration with Smithsonian Gardens.

Terms and Conditions of Fellowship

The Enid A. Haupt Fellowship in Horticulture is full-time, in-residence, and available for up to 6 months or 12 months, contingent upon available funding.

Within three months of the beginning of the fellowship, a final timetable of significant deadlines within the research plan must be submitted to the Smithsonian Gardens contact. During the fellowship, the fellow is invited to share the progress and/or results of their research by presenting a talk at the annual In-Service Training Program which the Smithsonian Gardens coordinates for Smithsonian staff and horticulture professionals in the metropolitan D.C. area. By the conclusion of the fellow's research, the fellow is invited to provide one copy of their thesis or dissertation to the Smithsonian Institution's Botany and Horticulture Library and one copy to Smithsonian Gardens.

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled in a graduate program seeking (or have received) their Master's or Ph.D. in horticulture, landscape architecture, cultural studies, or a related discipline with concentrations in garden history or landscape studies. Applicants whose native language is not English are expected to have the ability to write and converse fluently in English.

Application Process

Fellowships are awarded through a competitive process. To be considered for a fellowship, applicants should submit a concise proposal that includes the following:

1. Applicants may register and submit an application on line at **Smithsonian Online Academic Appointment System**
Select Horticulture Services Division, Enid A. Haupt Fellowship in Horticulture from the drop down list of programs in SOLAA.
2. A proposal (1,200 words or less) discussing the topic to be investigated including a thesis statement and a description of the nature and scope of the topic relative to the field of horticulture and an explanation of how this proposal will contribute to the knowledge of the topic
3. A review of existing literature specific to the proposed topic.
4. Preliminary timetable outlining the planned completion dates of significant research steps or goals.
5. A résumé or curriculum vitae.
6. Transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate academic programs.
7. Two letters of reference from two people familiar with your academic accomplishments and research goals.

All application materials must be submitted online through SOLAA.

Deadline

Application materials must be submitted online by no later than **May 15, 2011.**