Palm Biologist

Montgomery Botanical

Advancing Research, Conservation and Education through Living Plant Collections ESTABLISHED 1959

Montgomery Botanical Center (MBC) seeks to hire a Palm Biologist!

Our needs. We need a botanist to lead our efforts to study and conserve palms. The ideal candidate is someone able to develop the palm collection through exploratory fieldwork, and interested in leading, advancing, facilitating and supporting collections-based research.

The work. Primary duties, in order, include (1) planning and performing global fieldwork to further develop the living palm collections; (2) developing and completing research projects using the living plant collection, its data and its records; and (3) connecting the living palm collections to research users and facilitating their research. This position reports to the Collections Manager.

About Montgomery. MBC is an award-winning botanic garden, with a mission to advance research, education and conservation, through living plant collections, in a landscape of exemplary design. Entrusted with stewarding a National Cycad Collection and a National Palm Collection, Montgomery is a recognized Horticultural Landmark. As a leader in international conservation, Montgomery hosts the Global Program Office for the IUCN Species Survival Commission Cycad Specialist Group, and has an advanced conservation accreditation from Botanic Gardens Conservation International.

Who we seek. A dedicated "plant person" with the following qualifications: An advanced degree in botany, horticulture, or a related field; a collaborative, team-oriented approach to tasks; and a demonstrated ability to follow through and complete goals.

The opportunity. *Great Plants and Great People*. Montgomery cherishes its cohesive and diverse team of experts, who work together to advance the mission, and who value respect, good work, efficiency, and tangible outcomes. Montgomery's staff enjoy autonomy and flexibility, clear priorities and goals, and a beautiful workplace. Professional development opportunities are provided. Stated simply – this is a great team and a great place to work!

To apply: please email a cover letter, a resume or curriculum vitae, and three references to:

Dr. M. Patrick Griffith Executive Director patrick@montgomerybotanical.org.

Montgomery will review applications starting on December 1, 2023.