

<b>Position:</b>	Environmental Educator
<b>Department:</b>	Development and Public Programming
<b>Unit:</b>	Education and Public Programs (Education)
<b>Reports to:</b>	Director of Education
<b>Location:</b>	The Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY
<b>FLSA Status:</b>	NON-EXEMPT
<b>Hours:</b>	PART-TIME 2 to 3 day/wk; 5 hrs/day
<b>Rate:</b>	\$25/hr Admin; \$50/hr Teaching

## ABOUT GREEN-WOOD

The Green-Wood Cemetery is the permanent residence of more than 580,000 individuals and a beloved public destination, welcoming nearly 500,000 visitors annually. Spanning 478 acres of historic grounds, grand architecture, and world-class statuary, Green-Wood is more than a cemetery—it is a National Historic Landmark, an accredited arboretum, an outdoor museum, and a cultural hub rooted in the heart of Brooklyn.

As a living cemetery, Green-Wood blends preservation, nature, and community engagement with innovation. Our work spans a wide range of programming—from the arts and education to environmental stewardship, workforce development, restoration, and scholarly research. Through it all, we remain deeply committed to honoring our mission and treating every visitor and family with care, dignity, and respect.

## ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

The Education and Public Programs department at Green-Wood develops comprehensive public engagement initiatives for school-aged children, the general public, and diverse community groups. Leveraging the Cemetery's unique built and natural assets, we highlight Green-Wood's role in celebrating life, processing grief, and memorializing the departed. Through our four focus areas—arts and culture, American history, nature and environment, and death education—we offer a wide variety of experiences for visitors including performances, tours, lectures, hands-on workshops, and specialized educational programs.

As a historic rural cemetery in an evolving urban landscape, Green-Wood serves both local neighborhoods and the broader New York City population. By investing in education and public engagement, we inspire the next generation to embrace the Cemetery with passion, knowledge, and a commitment to its preservation. We continuously strive to enhance our programs and ensure they are inclusive and accessible to all. Through strategic external partnerships and close collaboration with internal teams, we are shaping a model for how cemeteries can broaden their cultural relevance, attract new audiences, and thrive as vital centers of community life.

## ABOUT THE ROLE

Are you passionate about connecting young people to history, nature, and place? Do you believe cemeteries can be powerful classrooms? **Come teach with us!**

We're currently hiring one part-time Environmental Educator to support seasonal 3K-12 programming at Green-Wood Cemetery. This role combines hands-on learning, outdoor education, and storytelling—all within one of New York City's most unique public landscapes.

Green-Wood's Educators lead engaging, curriculum-based experiences for school groups, families, and youth audiences. Using our 478-acre site as both backdrop and teaching tool, you'll help young learners

explore Environmental Science in fresh and meaningful ways. Training is provided, and all educators work closely with the Director of Education and a collaborative team of peers.

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## WHAT YOU WILL DO

### Instruction & Facilitation

- Lead engaging, inquiry-based outdoor lessons for 3K–12 students, using Green-Wood’s curriculum to bring environmental science, history, and place-based learning to life
- Facilitate meaningful learning experiences for school groups, families, and youth audiences—adapting instruction to meet diverse learning styles and needs
- Activate Green-Wood’s 478-acre landscape as a living classroom, guiding participants in exploring ecology, biodiversity, and the natural world

### Public Programs & Curriculum Development

- Teach and support public programs and on-site signature events—including Juneteenth, Battle of Brooklyn, Día de Muertos, and seasonal nature festivals—through interactive, audience-centered engagement
- Contribute to summer youth internships and support teacher professional development initiatives
- Collaborate with the education team to develop, refine, and evolve lesson plans, teaching materials, and hands-on learning activities

### Program Operations & Continuous Improvement

- Coordinate on-site program flow and logistics in partnership with the Education Associate and broader team
- Maintain and organize teaching materials and supplies to ensure program readiness
- Track program data and contribute to reflection and continuous and varied evaluation efforts that strengthen program quality and impact

### Other Requirements

- Employees who operate cemetery vehicles must provide proof of a valid driver’s license and at least five years of driving history for insurance purposes
  - Role requires regular standing, walking on hilly terrain, and the ability to lift and move up to 20 pounds
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## WHAT YOU WILL NEED TO SUCCEED

- Bachelor’s degree (preferably in biology, ecology, earth science, environmental science, or a related field)
- Experience working with school-aged children in classroom or informal learning environments
- Experience teaching environmental topics such as biodiversity, climate resilience, or ecology
- Confidence teaching outdoors in all weather conditions and navigating hilly terrain
- Strong organizational, communication, and collaboration skills
- Availability at least two (preferably three) weekdays between 9:00 AM–2:00 PM, with a strong preference for availability on Mondays and Fridays, and occasional evening and weekend availability
- Cultural competence and enthusiasm for engaging with diverse NYC communities

### A PLUS IF YOU BRING...

- Fluency in Spanish or Mandarin, with the ability to teach or engage participants in those languages
- Familiarity with NYC public school curricula and learning standards
- Experience designing or facilitating inclusive, place-based education programs

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**Mission Statement**

Green-Wood is a living cemetery that brings people closer to the world as it is and was, by memorializing the dead and bringing to life the art, history, and natural beauty of New York City.

**Equal Employment Opportunity Statement**

Green-Wood is an equal employment opportunity employer that prohibits discrimination against applicants and employees on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, national origin or ancestry, age, disability, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, domestic partner status, military or veteran status, citizenship status, and any other basis or characteristic protected by federal, state, or local law.

**Pay Transparency Clause**

As required by New York City law, the salary range for this position is disclosed in this job posting. The actual salary offered may vary based on factors such as experience, education, and qualifications.

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**IN EXCHANGE FOR YOUR SERVICE**

We recognize that part-time staff play an essential role in advancing our mission. While this position is not benefits-eligible, we are committed to honoring your contributions with meaningful support and deep gratitude.

**Compensation:** \$25/hour

**Schedule:** 5 days/week, 5 hours/day, Monday thru Friday with occasional weekend or evening work

**What We Offer**

- Paid sick leave
  - 13 company holidays
  - Free on-site parking and commuter benefits
  - Cultural discounts, arboretum access, recognition programs, and burial benefits
  - Employee Assistance Program (EAP)
  - Parental leave
  - A welcoming, mission-driven work environment
  - Opportunities to contribute to impactful, community-centered work
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**READY TO APPLY?**

Ready to inspire the next generation while honoring the past and protecting the future?  
To apply, email [hiring@green-wood.com](mailto:hiring@green-wood.com) with your résumé and a brief note about your interest.

Email subject line: *Educator or Environmental Educator: [Your Last Name]*