

Greenway Volunteer Program

Play Ambassador



About the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy

The Conservancy is the designated steward of the Rose Kennedy Greenway, a mile-and-a-half of contemporary parks in the heart of Boston that connect people and the city with beauty and fun. The non-profit Conservancy maintains, programs, and improves the Greenway on behalf of the public and in partnership with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Position Overview & Details

The Greenway seeks park-based ambassadors with Chinese and/or Spanish language proficiency that will interact with children and adult visitors, providing guidance, activities, and information about The Greenway. We are looking for people who are passionate about education and creative public spaces, and are willing to work with a team to create meaningful experiences for park patrons.



Play Ambassadors will primarily be needed from May through early October, though opportunities may be available after that time. We rely on a set shift schedule that provides coverage during busy times of the week, particularly for our youth group visits and play sessions in the park during the summer months. Preference is given to those who can commit to partial or full shift coverage with regularity so we can advertise play sessions with consistency. There will also be some special, one-time shifts that will support a range of activities and performances.

We are also interested in working with volunteers who would like to take on a larger number of shifts and create a professional experience in the youth development/education field that would be suitable for college credit.

Responsibilities

Play Session activities often involve leading park-related crafts, physical activities, simple lessons, or conversations with children and families to engage visitors in an active way with the park. Play Ambassadors might be asked to do any of the following:

- Lead a game of tag with a preschool class
- Build a castle out of Imagination Playground blocks with a group of 10 year olds
- Lead a discussion with middle schoolers about the public art in the park followed up by making something related
- Help a family choose a book to read together from our Uni Read mobile library cart
- Give directions to tourists
- Set up lawn games and encourage passerby to play

Requirements, & Qualifications

- Ability to commit to a schedule of shifts with a minimum commitment of 6 hours per month.
- Ability to work outside in a variety of weather types, to move equipment including a rolling kiosk and program materials, and to stand for an extended period of time.

- Must have email and internet access, as this will be the primary means of scheduling and communication.
- Ability to attend mandatory trainings on The Greenway, Public Art, and our programs.
- Proficiency in another language (Cantonese, Mandarin, Spanish) preferred.

Application Process

Positions are limited. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis with training sessions beginning in late Spring. To apply, please fill out the [Play Ambassador application online](#). Please contact Karla Noboa at volunteer@rosekennedygreenway.org with any questions.