

Historic Garden Internship

Museum - Eudora Welty House & Garden

Compensation: \$2,500.00

Application deadline: March 13, 2026

The Mississippi Department of Archives & History (MDAH) is seeking a *Historic Garden Intern* to work alongside the staff at the Eudora Welty House and Garden. This internship offers unique opportunities to support historic garden preservation through both hands-on work and research that helps expand our knowledge of the impact of Eudora Welty's garden on her literary legacy. This learning opportunity will provide a successful applicant with the chance to be a part of a gardening community where they will get to grow both their horticultural and interpersonal skills.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Weeding, pruning, and assisting with other general garden tasks
- Assisting with volunteer workdays
- Research the plant collection, noting ties to Eudora Welty's life and literature
- Contribute findings and observations from time spent researching the collection and tending the garden to special outreach and curatorial projects
- Present a final project report at the Intern Expo on July 30

Requirements:

- Currently enrolled in an accredited bachelor's or master's degree program in a related field
- Interest in gardening and nature
- Enthusiasm for Eudora Welty's life and literature
- Exceptional attention to detail in outdoor settings
- Ability to work frequently in heat and rain
- Capacity to stand or kneel for extended periods
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs

Time Commitment:

This internship runs from June 1 to July 31 and requires a minimum of 160 hours. Work hours are flexible, Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., with the specific schedule determined by mutual agreement between the intern and MDAH staff. Some exceptions may apply for required intern enrichment activities, professional development opportunities, and the final Intern Expo.

How to Apply:

Submit an online application through the [MDAH website](#) by March 13, 2026.

For more information, please contact the Human Resources Program Manager, Meredith Kent, at (601) 576-7304 or mekent@mdah.ms.gov.