Director, Melbourne Gardens

Established in 1846, Melbourne's Royal Botanic Gardens is one of Australia's premier botanical institutions and an inner city landmark extending over 38 picturesque hectares. A recognised leader in horticultural science and research, the Gardens is also one of Melbourne's most popular tourist attractions with annually over 1.6 million visitors viewing the 10,000 plant species on display and enjoying the range of year-round events and unique tours.

This exceptional opportunity to lead the Melbourne Gardens is open to suitably credentialed candidates for the first time in two decades. We are seeking an individual able to provide inspirational and strategic leadership, including stewardship and forward planning for the world-renowned Gardens' landscape. You will invigorate and manage a Division of 50 staff and contribute to positioning the Gardens in new markets, capitalising on opportunities and challenges including climate change, revenue generation and cultural tourism.

To stake your claim, you should offer demonstrated high-level horticultural skills in managing a significant heritage landscape or horticultural resource, combined with experience in the provision of expert and strategic advice at senior levels. Well regarded as a leader and relationship builder, you exhibit a 'big picture' orientation and communicate effectively and persuasively at all organisational levels. Tertiary qualifications in science, applied science or a related field, ideally with majors in horticulture or botany, should support your application.

Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne

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