

Lokelani 'Ohana Farm Manager Job Description

Lokelani 'Ohana, a vibrant initiative in the international Camphill movement, is a 501(C)(3) non-profit Maui based organization creating programs in organic gardening, Saori weaving/creative arts and Housing for people with developmental disabilities.

We are seeking management, ideally a couple or strong individual who wants to align to our vision and lead an evolving farm. Training in Biodynamic farming or is motivated to learn and apply the principals is required.

Qualities we esteem are: good communication skills, clear, honest, dependable, flexible, good social and public relation skills, a willing teacher for wwoofers, team player, positive and self motivated.

Job description/ recommended skills includes:

Administrative

Co-creating with executive director a farm/business plan
Possibility of creating a CSA probably, 15 to 20 families
Working with customers, health food store accounts, restaurant account, ads
Managing craigslist advertising, wwoof and CSA sites
Interview and training of new wwoofers on the farm
Events: Maui Farmers Union once a month, Body/soil conference, Ag faire
Coordinating work with BD calendar, keeping preps in stock (ED can mentor BD work)
In-town errands (recycling, propane, getting boxes, farm materials)
Management of community area, greenhouse and storage shed
Maintaining records (seeding/planting/sales/preparation use, forms are made)
Volunteer and educational programs, (will work with ED and others)
Maintenance of farm equipment (mower, weed eater, blade sharpening, etc.)
Own a computer and be Word proficient



Fertility & Soil Health for our Biodynamic Farm

Knowledge of working with the soil, stirring and applying preparations, making liquid fertilizer, collecting compost materials on-site, making compost

Irrigation & water

Familiarity of irrigation parts and principles, irrigation maintenance, water tank maintenance (setting valves, flushing filter), awai maintenance (cleaning screens, cleaning ditch fallen branches, cane grass)

Maintenance/Landscape

pulling/digging up invasive plants like cane, pokey weeds, sticky plant, etc., general weeding, weedwack, mow, prune, trim, burn when necessary and general landscape work, pest management with neem and other natural sprays for all fruits, vegetables and flowers

Fruits/Flowers: bananas & papayas, starfruit, lilikoi, avocado, ulu, citrus

Fertilizing with liquid organic fertilizer, harvesting, cleaning up banana stumps for compost and digging up keiki for sale, washing & boxing produce

Vegetables, squash, Hawaiian spinach, greens, herbs, roots

Seed selection, planting out sprouts & seeding, greenhouse building maintenance and seed propagation making potting soil, thinning, weeding & hoeing, harvesting & processing (washing, bunching, storage) spraying liquid fertilizers

Aquaponics

Managing aquaponic system, checking water quality and health of fish, filling and planting out pots, harvest