

Production Assistant (Part-Time)

Westchester Mushroom Co.

Company:

Founded in 2021, [Westchester Mushroom Co.](#) is a team of local farmers growing specialty mushrooms in Peekskill, NY. At Westchester's first indoor mushroom farm, we cultivate mushrooms for high-end restaurants such as Goosefeather, Rivermarket Bar and Kitchen, Augustine's Salumeria, and more. We also supply grocery stores and farm stands across Westchester County and Southwest Connecticut including DeCicco & Sons Markets, C-Town, Hilltop Hanover and Hemlock Hill. Our specialty mushroom offering includes Lion's Mane, numerous varieties of Oyster, King Trumpet, Shiitake, Pioppino, Chestnut and more. We pride ourselves on providing fresh mushrooms to our community while employing sustainable business practices. From using upcycled materials and recyclable packaging, to donating unsold mushrooms and having a low waste and carbon footprint, our commitment to our community goes beyond the food on our customers' plates.

Description:

The production assistant will be involved every step of the process, from preparing substrate bags to harvesting our beautiful variety of mushrooms. There will be ample opportunity to learn the intricacies of growing and distributing gourmet mushrooms. This is a physically demanding job that requires completing repetitive tasks, standing for long periods of time, and the ability to lift over 40 lbs.

Responsibilities:

- Assist with substrate preparation, mushroom harvesting and packaging, handling and disposal of mushroom blocks, and workspace cleaning
- Become familiar with protocols for growing and handling different varieties of mushrooms for wholesale and retail sale
- Abide by food safety and hygienic standards to maintain an environment suitable for cultivation of agricultural products

Qualifications:

- Curiosity and a willingness to learn, no mushroom cultivation experience necessary
- Ability to work quickly and efficiently with attention to detail
- Ability to comfortably lift 40 lbs and stand for long periods of time

Details:

- Schedule: Part-time
- Location: Peekskill, NY
- Pay: \$15/hr+ commensurate with experience
- Plus free mushrooms!
- Based on performance and a mutual agreement, there is potential for this role to become full-time

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