

BENCH

INTERMEDIATE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

BENCH Site Design is seeking an intermediate landscape architect with a minimum of 5 years of work experience to join our 8-person team in Kelowna, BC. The successful candidate must have an excellent design sense and an enthusiasm for organization, collaboration and learning. Experience managing a range of project scales from schematic design through contract administration is required. Expertise in producing complex construction documentation and construction services would be considered an asset. Applicants for this position should possess the following:

- Registered BCSLA landscape architect
- A degree in landscape architecture, or a diploma in landscape architectural technology
- 5 years of professional experience working in a landscape architecture office
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Superb time management and organizational skills, and an ability to prioritize tasks personally and for others within a constantly evolving workflow
- Experience in managing projects from master planning through detailed design scales, and from schematic design through contract administration
- Class 5 BC drivers license (or equivalent)
- Curiosity, empathy and a sense of humour

Because of our firm's small size, attitude, self-motivation and initiative to solve problems are particularly important to us. Our intention is to cultivate an office of collaborative and conscientious individuals with diverse skills, interests and life experiences. The ideal candidate for this position will demonstrate a desire to continually learn and grow.

We are committed to maintaining a healthy office culture and work-life balance; overtime for our staff is a rare exception rather than the rule.

We offer a competitive salary commensurate with experience, and benefits including 100% coverage of premiums for a comprehensive extended health and dental insurance package, a monthly sustainable transportation/fitness allowance, and support for BCSLA registration/payment of professional membership fees.

Please send a resume and portfolio to studio@benchsitedesign.com (maximum attachment size of 15MB) prior to 4pm on Monday, December 5th, 2022, along with a cover letter telling us why you are interested in the position. Some applicants may be contacted prior to the closing date. We thank all applicants for their interest, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

ABOUT BENCH SITE DESIGN

BENCH is a small, independent landscape architecture firm rooted in the growing Okanagan Valley, and is involved in a unique mix of rural and urban project types, across all scales. Recently completed projects include Vernon's Civic Memorial Park, the 60-acre biodynamic Phantom Creek Estates winery in Oliver, a trail network redevelopment plan for Summerland's Giant's Head Mountain, a 20-year master plan for Oyama Isthmus Park in Lake Country, and a suite of interpretive amenities along the 50-km Okanagan Rail Trail. Projects in progress include an 8-acre, net-zero carbon park in Kelowna, a linear park master plan for Mill Creek, and a weather shelter and viewpoints on Bowen Island.

We strive to create resilient, regenerative places that appeal to the senses, improve with time, foster ecological literacy, and connect users with the landscapes they inhabit. We embrace the idea that collaboration brings about the best solutions.