

Liberty Farms

Mushroom Grower/Vegetable Farm Crew

[Liberty Farms](#) is a NOFA NY-certified organic farm in Columbia County, NY. We are a diversified farm on over 600+ acres, with about 12 acres dedicated to our organic garden. We sell our produce, meat, eggs, and cut flowers at several local and NYC farmers markets, plus a growing CSA and several wholesale outlets including local restaurants and catering companies.

The production of organic gourmet mushrooms is the primary responsibility of this position. Our mushrooms are grown in inoculated bags in a sterile grow house. We currently source our inoculated mushroom bags from a local mycologist, but hope to mix our own substrate and inoculate our own bags in the near future. These tasks will become the Mushroom Grower's responsibility. For now, the primary responsibilities for this position include:

- Maintaining a clean and consistent indoor growing environment;
- Monitoring mushroom growth and harvesting/packaging mushrooms accordingly;
- Record keeping and management of mushroom inventory.

The person in this position will also assist our general Garden Crew with various aspects of organic vegetable production, as time allows against mushroom production needs. These general garden tasks include seeding, planting, cultivating, harvesting, and washing and packing for a variety of vegetable crops.

The ideal candidate will have some mushroom growing experience, preferably a full season's experience. Other skills greatly appreciated include:

- Excellent listening, critical thinking, and communication skills.
- A strong work ethic and the ability to work well with others – a sense of humor is always helpful!
- An interest in and an enthusiasm for learning more about organic vegetable growing practices.
- The ability to lift 50 lbs.
- A willingness to sometimes drive farm delivery vehicles to, from, and within NYC.
- Because we are in a rural area with no public transportation, a valid driver's license and a reliable vehicle are required.
- Spanish speaking is a plus.

This is a full-time position, with about 45 hours of work each week and some weekend hours required. Compensation is **\$16.00-\$18.00/hour**, depending on experience, plus a bounty of organic vegetables and eggs.

To apply, please send your resume and a brief cover letter to sales@libertyfarmsny.com.