Become a Treasured Wakamatsu Volunteer

Volunteers are treasured at Wakamatsu Farm. Without volunteers, Wakamatsu programs and projects would not be possible. If you find someone at Wakamatsu Farm leading a tour, planting a seed, scrubbing a floor, monitoring a nest, or pounding a nail, chances are you have found yourself a treasured Wakamatsu volunteer. Whether they show up once a week or once a lifetime, volunteers at Wakamatsu Farm are pure gold.

Wakamatsu offers such a variety and abundance of opportunities that practically anyone can find something they enjoy doing at the Farm. Do you like gardening? Ever want to learn more about native plants? Would you have fun helping with an event? Do you love working with your hands? Does it give you a thrill to help people of all ages discover nature or history? All these wonderful experiences and more happen to, and because of, volunteers at Wakamatsu Farm.

Examples of volunteer opportunities include:

- Interpretive tours and discussions
- Organic produce and ornamental gardening
- Construction, maintenance, and restoration projects
- Naturalist hikes and talks
- Educational field trips
- Exciting community and outreach events

Wakamatsu Farm particularly needs volunteer docents who enjoy leading public tours and talking with visitors about the rich cultural, historical, and natural history at Wakamatsu Farm. In fact, being a Wakamatsu docent offers many hidden treasures of its own. ARC also remains open to new ideas about using the farmland in innovative and sustainable ways that maintain its integrity and honor the ecosystem while offering benefits to the community and all parties involved.

To ramp up the volunteer base, ARC offers Wakamatsu Volunteer Orientation at various times each year. Joining the one-day orientation is the right first step for those who plan to volunteer regularly or want to establish a project or program at the Farm. For those not sure about regular volunteering, simply joining an announced Wakamatsu event or work date is a great start. No previous experience is necessary to volunteer at the Farm. Teenagers as young as 13 years-old can volunteer with their parents’ consent and supervision.

To discover the many hidden treasures of volunteering at Wakamatsu Farm, please reach out: www.arconservancy.org/wakamatsu / wakamatsu@arconservancy.org / 530-621-1224