

Elizabeth M. Lowe,
Landscape Designer



Education

The Landscape Institute of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. Graduate Certificate in Landscape Design, May 2004.

Courses: Drafting, Construction Methods and Materials, Site Engineering, Deciduous Tree and Shrub Identification, Design I, Design II, Design III, Sustainable Design, Historic Landscape Preservation Practice, Plants in the Urban Landscape, Native Plant Communities, Independent Project Studio, and Place, Community, and Time: A Social and Environmental History for Landscape Practitioners.

Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH. B.A. May 1998. Majors: Biology and Environmental Studies.

Relevant Courses: Plant Ecology, Non-Vascular Plant Diversity, Vascular Plant Systematics, Reporting in the Biological Sciences, Physical Geology, Environmental Economics, Energy Generation and Usage in Buildings.

Work Experience

Betsey Morse Mayer Landscape Design, Belmont, MA. May 2004 to May 2006.

Assistant Designer—Assisted Ms. Mayer in garden design, estimate preparation, installation, and maintenance of landscapes in Cambridge, Belmont, and other areas of urban and suburban Boston.

Bittersweet Gardens, Boston, MA. May 2004 to November 2004.

Gardener—Installed and maintained a number of small urban landscapes.

Commonwealth Research Group, Brookline, MA. September 2003 to February 2004.

Research Consultant—Completed economic analyses, including future medical expense analyses for both plaintiff and defense attorneys involved in personal injury litigation.

Museum of Science, Boston, MA. January 2001-August 2002.

Program Presenter, Sun Lab—Assisted curator with maintenance of the Sun Lab, a greenhouse exhibit which includes live plants. Researched and presented information on plants to audiences of museum visitors, ranging in age from preschool to adult. Interpreted exhibit components for museum visitors. Trained and supervised interns. Recruited, trained, and supervised volunteers. Updated existing exhibit labels, and wrote new ones.

Commonwealth Research Group, Brookline, MA. August 1998-December 2000.

Research Associate—Completed economic damages analyses for various types of litigation. Wrote extensive reports to accompany analyses. Trained and supervised research assistant and interns. Designed templates in Microsoft Word and Excel to streamline analyses and report writing. Wrote lost earnings analysis manual for new employees. Promoted from Research Assistant in August 1999.

North Central Research Extension Center, Minot, ND. Summer 1997.

Research Intern — Assisted with agricultural research. Measured herbicides for test plots, collected and entered plant growth data, and maintained research facilities.

Volunteer Activities

Prospect Hill Park Advocacy Group, Waltham, MA. Fall 2003 to Present.

Volunteer Webmaster — Sole designer and developer for www.phpag.org, the website for this community organization.

Museum of Science, Boston, MA. May 2000 to December 2000.

Volunteer — Worked to enrich information on Lepidoptera in Natural Mysteries exhibit.