

GARDENER

Chung Cyberport | **數碼港** 8:00 - 17:00



"I'm the gardener in charge and manage a team of seven other gardeners. Together, we look after all the greenery, trees, and flowers at Cyberport, which is a pretty big site! I do everything from trimming and landscaping to watering and fertilising - anything to ensure that we have happy and healthy plants. I also allocate resources and plan the roster for the team. Many years ago when I was a young lad, I took a gardening course in China and since then, my jobs have all been somewhat related to agriculture and horticulture. Prior to this job, I worked on a farm in Shanxi, which shut down due to the pandemic. So I decided to come to Hong Kong and take on a new role as the head gardener. I have to say, when I first joined in 2020, the gardens didn't look as good as they do now!"

"Gardening is really an art and I sometimes feel like an artist. You need to have a good vision and be able to use your hands, eyes, and mind to create something beautiful. There are lots of different looks that you can achieve with landscaping, but it is all a game of balance as you need to be able to grasp timing well and work with the climate. I'm always thinking of ways to make the flowers bloom longer and at the right time - sometimes that may require limiting their water intake to control growth. To be a good gardener you need to be patient, hardworking, and observant. Most importantly though, you need to love your job as there's otherwise no chance that you'll do it well!"

"Apart from being exposed to the elements we also sometimes encounter wildlife - boars, hornets, ants...sometimes even snakes! When that happens we call in the wildlife professionals to help, firstly for safety reasons but also to ensure that the animals are taken care of properly. A lot of people throw away plants once they start to look a bit tired and dreary. I love to collect these plants and nurture them back to life - it just takes a bit of extra care and patience. Even though I enjoy my job and being in nature all day, it is physically demanding so when it comes to Sunday, I just want to put my feet up and relax!"

「我是這個園藝部的主管,負責管理團隊內的另外七個園藝師。我們一起打理數碼港所有的綠化地帶、樹木和花卉,而這裡的面積亦相當大!我的工作內容很廣泛,由修剪植物和設計園景,到澆水和施肥,任何能夠確保植物健康和茁壯成長的事情也會牽涉到。我亦會負責分配材料和為團隊編制輪班表。很多年前,當我還年輕的時候,我在內地上了一門園藝課程,自始之後,我所有的工作都總會跟農業和園藝有些關連。在擔任這份工作之前,我在山西省的一個農田工作,那裡因為疫情而被迫關閉。所以我決定來香港擔任一個新的崗位——做一個園藝主管。我在2020年加入的時候,這裡的花園還未像現在這麼漂亮!」

「園藝是一門藝術,有時我真的覺得自己是一位藝術家。你需要有豐富的想像力,並能夠運用你的雙手、眼睛和頭腦來創造出美麗的景觀。你可以設計出很多不同的園景,但這是一個講求平衡的遊戲,你需要掌握好時機,並根據季節和天氣而行事。我總是在想方法讓花朵開花的時間會更長久,及在合適的時候綻放,有時候會需要限制它們的水分來控制其生長速度。要成為一個好的園藝師,你需要有耐性、勤奮和細心。但最重要的是,你需要熱愛你的工作,否則你就無法做出好的成品!」

「我們的工作除了要接觸大自然外,有時還會遇到野生動物和昆蟲,例如野豬、黃蜂、螞蟻……甚至是蛇!當發生這種情況時,我們會請專人來幫忙,不但是出於安全考慮,但也是為了確保這些動物能得到適當的照顧。很多人會在植物開始凋謝的時候就扔掉它們,但我喜歡收集這些植物並令它們重拾生氣,而這行動只需要一些關心和耐性。雖然我很喜歡我的工作和身處於大自然中,但這份工作也是很花費體力的,所以一到了星期日,我就只想坐下來放鬆休息!」

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