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## William Dawson

### Experience

April 1993-Present Franklin Park Conservatory & Botanical Garden  
Columbus, Ohio

#### Horticulture Director

- Manage the Conservatory's 28 acre Botanical Garden and additional 60 acre public parkland.
- Manage the successful operation of the Conservatory's off-site Production Facility.
- Manage the operation of the Conservatory's Physical Plant and Engineering Department.
- Supervise the maintenance and procurement of large John Deere equipment fleet.
- Responsible for snow removal Park wide.
- Lecturer / Speaker to horticultural groups and guests.
- Fulfill goals and objectives set forth in the Conservatory's long term plan for success.

January 1992-April 1993 Ameriflora '92 Columbus, Ohio  
**Supervisor of Landscape and Horticulture**

- Staffed, trained and supervised 80 landscape maintenance employees.
- Recruitment and implementation of Volunteer Program.
- Managed landscape maintenance of affiliated remote parks.
- Coordinated four site wide seasonal color bulb / annual change-outs involving over 1 million plants.
- Interviewed for print, radio and television mediums.

1983-1992 Oakland Nursery Columbus, Ohio  
**Landscape Supervisor**

- Supervised landscape installation crews for commercial and residential accounts.
- Supervised irrigation and interiorscape installation crews.
- Managed Oakland's Dispatch Home and Garden Show display.
- Coordinated 'Good Neighbor Program' for the Scott's Co. and the Private Industry Council.

### Education

1984-2000 Ohio State University Columbus, Ohio

- Annual Short Courses O.S.U Extension.
- Annual Training Seminars, Workshops and classes taken.
- Graduate of Bishop Ready High School.

**Eastland Career Center, Education Board.**

**American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboretums, Affiliate member.**

**Ohio Nursery and Landscape Association, member.**

**Ohio Turfgrass Foundation, member.**

**Columbus Horticultural Subcommittee, member.**

**Columbus Audubon Society, member.**

**Nature Conservancy, member.**

**Certification**

**Ohio Pesticide Applicators License, Ohio Dept. of Agriculture, since 1986.**

**Ohio Certified Nursery Technician , Master , Landscape, Garden Center and Grower categories.**

**References**

**Available upon request.**