

Senior Garden Designer / Landscape Architect

Location: Petersfield, Hampshire (studio-based, with site visits across the UK)
Tenure: Full-time permanent
Salary: Negotiable, commensurate with experience

About AMPG

Ann-Marie Powell Gardens Limited is an award-winning landscape design studio based in Petersfield, Hampshire, on the edge of the South Downs National Park. Led by Ann-Marie Powell FSGLD, the studio has spent nearly three decades working across private residential gardens, luxury hotel and spa landscapes, historic and listed estates, commercial spaces, show gardens, and international commissions. No two projects are the same, and no two weeks look alike.

We are a small, close-knit team who work collaboratively at every stage, and we care about both the quality of the work we produce and the way we work together. Our studio philosophy is *Bold, Vibrant, Biodiverse*. We also believe that good garden design should be accessible to everyone, which is why alongside our full design service we offer small project services for those working with more modest budgets. We always revert to the principle of: *Plants, People, Place, Purpose*.

Awards and Recognition

Our credentials include RHS Chelsea Gold medals (2010, 2015), RHS Chelsea Silver-Gilt 2024, the BBC People's Choice Award and inaugural RHS Children's Choice Award 2024, the American Horticultural Society Environmental Award, the SGLD Award for Best UK Commercial or Community Landscape (2022), the SGLD People's Choice Award (2022), the SGLD Best International or UK Commercial Landscape Award (2021), the SGLD Best Hardscape Design Award (2021), the Gaze Burvill Director General's Award (2021), and five consecutive years as a House & Garden Top 50 Garden Design practice, with a House & Garden Top 25 ranking in 2026. The studio holds Spear's Index Top Recommended status. Ann-Marie Powell FSGLD is a Fellow and the studio is a Registered Practice of the Society of Garden and Landscape Designers.

The Role

We are looking for a Senior Garden Designer or Landscape Architect to join the studio as a key member of the team. This is a project-leading role, not a support role. You will manage commissions from initial client brief through concept, detailed design, and construction, with direct client contact and genuine creative ownership. You will work collaboratively with Ann-Marie and the rest of the team throughout, contributing to the studio's culture as much as its output.

What You Will Be Doing

- Leading projects end-to-end, from site analysis and concept development through to detailed design, specification, and on-site delivery
- Acting as the primary point of contact for clients, managing relationships with professionalism, warmth, and confidence
- Producing the full range of design documentation: concept presentations, masterplans, planting plans, construction drawings, and specifications
- Collaborating closely with Ann-Marie, the studio team, architects, contractors, heritage experts, planning consultants, ecologists and specialist suppliers
- Mentoring junior team members and contributing to the wider studio culture
- Contributing to studio development, including design reviews and quality standards

What We Are Looking For

Essential

- Degree or postgraduate qualification in Garden Design, Landscape Architecture, or equivalent
- Minimum five years' experience in private residential or high-end commercial practice
- Exceptional planting knowledge, with the ability to produce detailed, season-aware planting schemes
- Strong technical skills and the ability to produce accurate, complete construction drawings
- Confident client manner and proven experience managing relationships independently
- Proficiency in Vectorworks is preferred but we will consider those applicants who have worked in AutoCAD.
- Experience in Microsoft Office and Adobe Creative Suite
- Organised, self-directed, and able to manage multiple projects simultaneously
- Full UK driving licence and own vehicle (site visits are a regular part of the role)
- Applicants must be based in the UK with no requirement for visa sponsorship

Desirable

- Chartered status (CMLI) or working towards it
- Experience working on listed or heritage sites
- Lumion or equivalent visualisation software
- Knowledge of biodiversity net gain principles and ecological planting

What We Offer

- **Salary:** Negotiable, commensurate with experience
- **Company profit share scheme:** You share in what we build together.
- **28 days' holiday** including bank holidays
- **Private health insurance** (following probation period)
- **Flexible start times**
- **Ongoing CPD and professional development support**

How to Apply

Please send the following to info@ann-mariepowell.com:

- CV and covering letter (tell us what draws you to AMPG specifically)
- Portfolio of no more than 10 pages. Please indicate clearly which work is your own and which was produced as part of a team. Include a minimum of three construction drawings produced in Vectorworks or AutoCAD, alongside concept and planting work.

Closing date: Friday 10th July 2026

Shortlisted candidates notified: Wednesday 15th July 2026

Interviews: Week commencing 20th July 2026, Petersfield Studio

Ann-Marie Powell Gardens Limited welcomes applications from candidates of all backgrounds. We are committed to building an inclusive team that reflects the diversity of the communities and landscapes we work in.