



Position: Zookeeper (Quarantine/Rainforest Revealed)

Status: Full-time

Description: Located along Florida's Space Coast in Melbourne, Brevard Zoo is a highly acclaimed institution and one of only 233 accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. A not-for-profit that receives no recurring government funds for operations, the Zoo relies on admissions, memberships, grants and philanthropy to fund its operations and programs.

This position is responsible for the daily care of the animals cared for by the wellness team during their arrival quarantine period. It is also responsible for the daily care of animals in the South American rainforest section of the Zoo, known as Rainforest Revealed. This person must be able to work as an integral part of the Zoo team and communicate effectively with coworkers, supervisors and guests.

Responsibilities:

Performs skilled assignments related to the care and feeding of a variety of animals found in South American rainforests, including several species of New World primates, jaguars, giant anteaters, Baird's tapirs, capybara, giant river otters, coatimundi, sloths and a variety of avian species. Once trained, this person must be knowledgeable and comfortable working with all species in this area on a regular basis. They must work with and under the guidance of the Animal Behavior and Wellness Coordinator to ensure Brevard Zoo's standards of animal wellness are maintained at all times.

This is a full-time zookeeper position that will eventually transition into a full-time member of the Rainforest Revealed team.

Qualifications:

Candidates that do not meet the listed qualifications will not be considered for this position.

- Two years of zookeeping experience at an AZA-accredited facility
- Bachelor's degree in related field
- Experience with behavioral training programs
- Ability to multitask
- Ability to lift at least 50 lbs.
- Ability to speak intelligently and diplomatically with co-workers, volunteers and the public
- Ability to initiate and write accurate reports
- Ability to effectively communicate both orally and in writing
- Excellent interpersonal skills

- Computer competency and proficiency with ZIMS, Microsoft and Adobe programs
- Ability to use trade equipment
- Ability to work in inclement weather and stressful situations
- Ability to work a flexible schedule including holidays, weekends, evenings and during emergency situations

Benefits:

- Health Insurance (no deductible) comes with free gym membership
- Free Dental Insurance and optional Life, Short-term Disability and Vision insurances
- Matching 403b retirement funds (pre-tax)
- Zoo membership, passes and zipline passes
- Florida attraction share program passes

Please send cover letter, resume and references to HR@brevardzoo.org.