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### **Summary**

- Primary caretaker of small and large gallon (5-28,000 gallons) mixed species freshwater tanks housing fish from South America
- Primary caretaker of South American birds in large free-flight aviary with psittacines, passerines and waterfowl
- Designed and constructed tanks, life support systems holding cages and emergency housing for freshwater fish, birds, and aquatic chelonians
- Maintain in-house inventory of 260 species of animals; keeping up to date on location, age, transponders, and counts
- Coordinate with \_\_\_\_ Zoo media department for website updates, interviews and social media features

### **Experience**

#### **Animal Keeper**

\_\_\_\_\_ Zoo, City & State

*December 2010- Present*

- Care for varying species of birds, small mammals, New World primates, tropical reptiles and amphibians, saltwater systems, and freshwater fish
- Maintain and monitor fresh and saltwater life support systems
  - Conduct formal and informal demonstrations for the general public, schools and official tours
  - NAUI Scuba certified
- Site visits of institutions for animal acquisitions and transfers
- Media interviews, both on-air and print
- Design and construct new exhibits

## Education

### Biology BS

\_\_\_\_\_ University, City & State

May 2010

### AZA Professional Development Program

#### Managing Animal Enrichment and Training Programs

Denver Zoo, Denver, CO

September 2016

## Presentations

- Exploring Careers in Wildlife Conservation. (2013). Panel discussion. \_\_\_\_\_ Zoo.
- **Last name, First initial.** Hand rearing efforts with \_\_\_\_\_ chicks. American Association of Zoo Keepers 2015 Conference.
- **Last name, First initial.** Decreasing mortality rates of hand reared Elegant-crested tinamou chicks. National Capital Chapter Regional Symposium. 2015.
- **Last name, First initial.** Developing an Open Forum for Zoological Ethics at Your Institution. American Association of Zoo Keepers 2017 Conference (workshop).
- **Last name, First initial.** Diversity and Inclusion in Animal Care Sciences. American Association of Zoo Keepers 2017 Conference (workshop).

## Teaching

- 2012-2014. Mentor. \_\_\_\_\_ County Public School PRIME program. City & State.
- 2014-present. Introduction to Enrichment & Training. *Annual course for new animal care employees.* \_\_\_\_\_ Zoo.
- 2015. Avian Courtship & Reproduction. Adult Education lecture series. \_\_\_\_\_ Zoo.
- 2015. Basic Bird Biology & Behavior. Docent presentation. \_\_\_\_\_ Zoo.
- 2016-present. Effects of Globalization on Biodiversity. Guest lecturer. \_\_\_\_\_ University.
- 2018. Freshwater fish diversity. Docent presentation. \_\_\_\_\_ Zoo.
- 2020. The Use of Science in Modern Zoo Keeping. \_\_\_\_\_ Science Center.

## Leadership

- **Secretary.** Diversity Committee. \_\_\_ Zoo. 2013-2017.
- **Vice Chair** of Enrichment and Training. \_\_\_ Zoo. 2014- present.
- **Secretary.** \_\_\_ Chapter of the American Association of Zoo Keepers. 2014-2017.
- **President.** \_\_\_ Chapter of the American Association of Zoo Keepers 2018- present.
- **Professional Development Team.** American Association of Zoo Keepers. 2018- present.
- **AZA Institutional Representative**
  - Red crested cardinal (*Paroaria coronate*)
  - Yellow-rumped cacique (*Cacicus cela*)
  - Hawkhead parrot (*Deroptryus acciptrinus*)
  - Green aracari (*Pteroglossus viridis*)
  - Oscellate river stingray (*Potamotrygon motoro*)
  - White-blotched river stingray (*Potamotrygon leopoldi*)

## Awards

- Lee Houts Advancement in Enrichment Award. \_\_\_\_\_ Zoo Enrichment and Training Committee. American Association of Zoo Keepers.
- Certificate of Merit in Zoo Keeper Education. \_\_\_\_\_ Zoo Enrichment and Training Committee. American Association of Zoo Keepers.
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## Research interests

- Behavioral management of mixed species aviaries
- Breeding in mixed species aviaries
- Pair bond repetition in cichlids of mixed sex groupings
- Station and target training various species of fish in mixed species pools
- Detailing brood care, parental rearing and juvenile diets of *Loricaria simillima*
- Trained behaviors in open walk-through aviaries
- Body score evaluation of freshwater fish

## Memberships

- Association of Zoos and Aquariums, Professional level
- American Association of Zoo Keepers, Professional level
- International Association of Avian Trainers and Educations, Professional level.

***References available upon request***

**References (no more than 3)**

1. Current supervisor
2. Additional management reference
3. Peer from another institution you have worked with on a project, publication, or committee