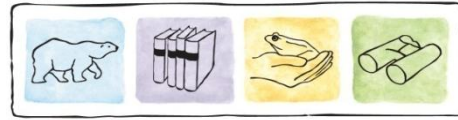




Center for Zoo Animal Welfare
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From Good Care to Great Welfare
Advancing Zoo Animal Welfare Science and Policy
Detroit Zoological Society
August 6-7, 2011

The Detroit Zoological Society's Center for Zoo Animal Welfare is hosting a two-day symposium, *From Good Care to Great Welfare*, which will bring together leaders in animal welfare with the goal of advancing zoo animal welfare science and policy.

Animal care in zoos has improved over the past decades, but good care does not, in and of itself, ensure great welfare. The development of a more thorough understanding of animals in zoos, especially how they are affected by captive conditions - staff, visitors, social and physical environments, and more - is important to ensuring zoo animal welfare. This requires an active dialogue among animal care professionals and animal welfare specialists regarding these issues.

From Good Care to Great Welfare will include presentations, posters and panels focusing on four primary topic areas:

- understanding and bridging the gap between providing good care and ensuring great welfare;
- understanding the impacts of - and compensating for - captivity;
- multidisciplinary approaches and assessment techniques to better understand and enhance zoo animal welfare;
- welfare of "non-charismatic" vertebrates - birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish.

Call for papers: We are encouraging the submission of papers and posters presenting original/new research that examines the impacts of captivity on animals and how we can better align animal care practices with great welfare (e.g., impacts of choice and decision-making with respect to social partners, food, space; impacts of different social situations; investigation of different sensory abilities/perceptions of animals and their impacts on welfare). A special edition of the *Journal of Applied Animal Welfare Science (JAAWS)* will publish invited papers and abstracts of all spoken presentations from the symposium.

Additional information and instructions for registering and for submitting abstracts for presentations and posters can be found at czaw.org. Abstracts may be submitted by mail or online until **June 15, 2011**.

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