

The High Desert Museum
Position Description

Title:	Seasonal Wildlife Specialist
Division:	Wildlife Programs
Classification:	Seasonal, Hourly Part-time Employee (approx.25 hours/week) (May - September 2010)
Reports To:	Senior Wildlife Specialist-Programs, Wildlife Specialists- Programs and Wildlife Curator
Supervises:	N/A
Job Summary:	The Seasonal Wildlife Specialist's daily responsibilities include daily husbandry and management of the animals in the collection as well as presenting wildlife encounters and shows which include mammals, reptiles, and free-flight raptors.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Two years college in a biological science and 6 months practical experience in the care and husbandry of exotic/wild animals, OR any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the required skills, knowledge and abilities.
- Understanding of animal training and operant conditioning.
- Understanding of enrichment.
- Experience in public speaking, shows or presentations. Ability to memorize a 20 minute script.
- Ability to perform physical tasks including, but not limited to, lifting 50 pounds, carrying, stooping, bending, extensive walking, crawling, or climbing and withstand working outside in the extreme weather conditions typical of Central Oregon.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills and ability to work with volunteers.
- Ability to work flexible hours including weekends, holidays, some evenings, early mornings, and occasional overtime.

Basic Job Responsibilities:

- Daily husbandry of animal collection which may include but is not limited to diet prep, enrichment, re-perching, hosing, scrubbing, etc.
- General maintenance and upkeep of animal holding.
- Assist in training of animals.
- Presentation of animal encounters and shows.
- Maintain daily animal records.
- Maintain and clean service areas.
- Comply with all Museum policies, procedures, and safety regulations.
- Perform other tasks and duties as assigned by immediate supervisor.
- Provide veterinary care assistance as needed.

Please send resume and cover letter to Tracy Suckow, Human Resources, at tracy@highdesertmuseum.org or 59800 South Hwy 97, Bend, Oregon 97702.