

SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE

JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Seasonal Animal Trainer
DEPARTMENT: Safari
REPORTS TO: Supervisor of Animal Training

POSITION SUMMARY:

Join the Six Flags Great Adventure marine animal team working with California sea lions and Asian small clawed otters. Responsibilities include providing animals with proper nutrition, sanitary living conditions, and continual care. Selected applicant will also be responsible for learning and applying fundamental operant conditioning and animal husbandry techniques. Individual will educate park guests about animals and the importance of species survival and conservation. Individual will demonstrate supportive and lead roles in general and educational public shows and presentations. Individual will assist in implementing new shows for area and training innovative behaviors with animals. Individual will assist Safari team members in the care of various land animals as needed.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Maintain safe, clean, and enriching environment for all animals in area
- Prepare all animal diets and administer vitamins
- Maintain clean and sanitary food preparation areas, work areas, pools, and animal housing
- Make daily observation of animals and report any abnormalities to supervisor
- Properly complete all animal records and gather research data
- Observe and/or participate in training sessions with all species
- Perform supportive roles in animal shows and/or presentations to public
- Cross train in other animal areas as needed
- Acquire basic knowledge of operant conditioning and animal husbandry through observations and structured, supervised participation
- Help educate guests about animals and enrich their experience by demonstrating knowledge of the Six Flags product
- Adhere to all Six Flags and departmental policies without being continually reminded
- Function as an integral team member of the department and park

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Individuals must be 18 years of age or older
- Bachelor's degree in Biology, Psychology, or related field preferred
- SCUBA certification required
- Individual must be able to pass swim test to determine suitable swimming abilities
- Individual must be able to successfully complete CPR, water rescue, first aid, and any other park training required for the position
- Individual must be able to pass a physical examination, including tuberculosis testing
- Public speaking or performance preferred
- Individuals must be able to lift and move up to fifty (50) pounds
- Individuals must be available to work nights, weekends, and holidays
- Individuals must be able to work in or around water and be exposed to year round outdoor weather conditions

Qualified applicants may submit a cover letter & resume to jperant@sftp.com.