



## BIRD CARE INTERNSHIP Summer 2024

### DESCRIPTION:

A full-time, seasonal position under the direction of the Curator of Birds & Director of Operations. The purpose of the internship is to provide a hands-on learning opportunity and field related work experience in avian husbandry and wildlife management. The Summer Bird Care Intern will assist staff with daily husbandry (diet preparation, feeding, cleaning of enclosures, general upkeep of facilities and property), assist and inform visitors at the Sanctuary, give keeper talks, and assist with rehabilitation of injured birds.

### EXAMPLES OF WORK EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY INTERN:

#### Bird Care

*(All require training and approval of Curator of Birds that adequate skill levels have been achieved)*

- A) Daily cleaning of enclosures
- B) Assist in food preparation
- C) Assist with distribution of food
- D) Assist with rehabilitation of injured birds
- E) Care of nestling songbirds

#### Interpretation

- A) Answer phone inquiries by public
- B) Provide information for visitors
- C) Assist staff with Keeper Talks (requires adequate knowledge of species and avian ambassador's "story")

#### Property Management

- A) Upkeep of Bird Enclosures
- B) General Grounds Maintenance
- C) Daily sweeping and mopping (as needed) of floors
- D) Trash removal from buildings

### EXPECTATIONS:

- A) Able to lift 50 pounds and physically able to negotiate trail system
- B) Professional appearance, clean, neat and always respectful
- C) Reliable and punctual and available to work weekends
- D) Capable of completing tasks and projects unsupervised

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Currently enrolled at a college/ university  
Valid Driver's License  
Current Tetanus vaccine within 7 years

### SCHEDULE: 11 weeks (May - August, Saturday - Wednesday)

Saturday: 9:00-7:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am-4:30pm

Monday: 8:30am-4:30PM

Tuesday: 9:30am-4:30pm

Wednesday: 9:30am-4:30pm

**STIPEND:** \$12/hour

**APPLICATION:** Available on website [www.ohiobirdsanctuary.com](http://www.ohiobirdsanctuary.com) under "About us" > "Internships"