



City of Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES ZOO

Animal Care Division



ANIMAL KEEPER (4304)

Emergency Appointment Opportunity

ANNUAL SALARY

\$55,144.08 - \$80,596.80

(The current salary range is subject to change. You may confirm the starting salary with the hiring department before accepting a job offer.)

LOCATION

Los Angeles Zoo – 5333 Zoo Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90027

SCHEDULE

Five (5) days a week; Friday – Tuesday

Regular Days Off: Wednesday and Thursday

Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. with occasional 6:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. or 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

DUTIES / RESPONSIBILITIES

In addition to routine cleaning and feeding, this animal keeper will handle and assist with training a wide variety of birds, present formal, scripted shows and make informal presentations. A positive attitude, the ability to work in a close team environment and quick thinking for a fast-paced show are important for this position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

1. The equivalent of one year of full-time paid experience (2,080 hours) in the care and maintenance of exotic animals with a facility similar to the Los Angeles Zoo whose core function is the exhibition of a variety of exotic animals; **or**
2. (a) Successful completion of the Animal Keeper Training program conducted by the Los Angeles Zoo; **or**

(b) An equivalent program at an accredited school or college providing classroom and field work on the basic structure and function of exotic animals; basic nutritional requirements; recognition of the symptoms of animal diseases; sanitation measures; and aspects of animal behavior.



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HOW TO APPLY

Qualified, interested candidates should email resume along with three references to lazoo.personnel@lacity.org by 4:00 p.m., PST on Friday, February 7, 2025, or until sufficient applications have been received. The subject line must indicate: "**EMG ANIMAL KEEPER (BIRDSHOW) APPLICATION**". While we appreciate the interest of all applicants, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

EMERGENCY APPOINTMENT

An emergency appointment is not a regular appointment. It is a temporary appointment which does not require that you successfully compete in the Civil Service examination process. The appointment may not exceed one year and must be terminated immediately when a regular appointment can be made from an eligible list. (City Charter Section 1013).

The Los Angeles Zoo strives to have a workforce that is representative of the diverse communities of Los Angeles and we encourage people of all backgrounds, including applicants who identify as Black, Indigenous, people of color, people with varying abilities, women and of the LGBTQAI+ communities, to apply.



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OUR VISION

Creating a just and sustainable world where people and wildlife thrive, together.

OUR MISSION

Through the passion of our team, the Los Angeles Zoo is leading the way in saving wildlife and connecting Angelenos to the natural world by providing exemplary animal care, delivering distinctive and diverse learning opportunities, and creating unforgettable experiences.

Saving Wildlife. Enriching Our Communities. Creating Connections to Nature.

ABOUT THE ZOO

The Los Angeles Zoo property comprises 133 acres and is home to more than 2,200 mammals, birds, amphibians and reptiles representing more than 270 different species, 58 of which are endangered. In addition, the Zoo's botanical collection includes several planted gardens, over 800 different plant species and more than 7,000 individual plants.

The Zoo is owned and operated by the City of Los Angeles. The Zoo is operated and staffed by City employees as well as employees from its non-profit fundraising organization and concessionaire sub-contractor. In total, they represent approximately 350 full and part-time Zoo/City employees, and approximately 100 Zoo/City volunteers. The Zoo is open 363 days each year (closed Thanksgiving and Christmas days) and the annual attendance for the Zoo is approximately 1.5 million visitors.

On average, the Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens has almost 5,000 visitors a day with capacity days up to 10,000 or more visitors. The majority of our visitors are diverse families with young children. Throughout the year over 100,000 school group attendees also come to the Zoo.

The Zoo is a multi-faceted and unique work environment. The dynamic nature of Zoo operations requires flexible and motivated administrative staff who can work to address a multitude of issues. The ideal candidate for this position will be a versatile individual with interest and skills in business operations and administration, project management, and capital programming.

COMMITMENT TO EQUITY

The Zoo Department is committed to equity in all forms, including a culture of respect among all employees as well as ensuring a welcoming and inclusive environment for all guests.