

JOB DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Animal Care Technician

**Term:** Permanent **Job Type:** Part-Time

**Scheduled Hours:** 18-24 hours per week **Starting Rate of Pay:** \$22.25 per hour

## **Company Overview**

Friends of Wye Marsh is a registered charity and incorporated not-for-profit responsible for managing the operations of the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre. The Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre is located on approximately 3,000 acres comprised of National Wildlife Area (NWA) and provincial crown land including environmentally significant wetlands and woodlands in Tay Township, in the Heart of Georgian Bay. We offer education, outdoor recreation opportunities, one-of-a-kind animal encounters, and the opportunity for visitors to explore kilometers of nature trails.

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Reporting to the Animal Care Coordinator, the Animal Care Technician is central to the proper care of the Wye Marsh's captive birds and reptiles, and to delivering engaging public demonstrations to visitors of all ages. The priority of this role is providing exceptional care to the Wye Marsh's animals in captivity, including raptors, turtles, and snakes, and using them as a means to educate the public about the value in protecting and respecting animals and their natural habitats.

## Responsibilities

- Care for, feed, weigh, and maintain health and hygiene of Wye Marsh captive animals (birds and reptiles) in accordance with standard operating procedures
- Provide regular enrichment and training to animals in accordance to each of their individualized development plans and in alignment with standard operating procedures.
- Perform daily cleaning of animal enclosures, and display areas ensuring safety of animals and staff, proper hygiene, and an aesthetically pleasing presentation to visitors
- Work collaboratively with other animal care team members to update standard operating procedures, and other processes as required
- Present animals (birds and reptiles) to audiences at Wye Marsh and at other events where animals are required for demonstrations, with an emphasis on education and audience engagement.
- Ensure standard operating procedures and health and safety guidelines as the they relate to animal care are adhered to, and where required revised to conform with current legislation.
- Work collaboratively with all Wye Marsh staff and volunteers to support other functional areas as required for the delivery of programs, events, and an optimal visitor experience.
- Update print and digital communications materials as required within the animal care portfolio
- Uphold the Wye Marsh mission statement and objectives at all times.
- Carry out other reasonable tasks assigned in support of operations of the Wye Marsh

## **Qualifications:**

Ability to legally work in Canada

- Valid Ontario 'G' driver's license, and access to reliable transportation
- Experience handling birds of prey, preferably those with physical or mental impairments.
- Experience engaging with community members through education and public demonstrations
- The ability to adapt training style to a new environment and to new animals based on individual needs

**How to Apply:** Interested applicants should forward a resume outlining their suitability for this role, along with a cover letter, erobinson@wyemarsh.com, with 'ANIMAL CARE TECHNICIAN as the subject line by **Saturday October 4, 2025 at 11:59pm.**