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## **EXPERIENCE**

### **Naturalist Coordinator**

October 2023 - Present

#### **Ramsey County Parks & Recreation - Tamarack Nature Center, White Bear Lake Township, MN**

- Manage a 200 + volunteer base and 8 - 12 Naturalist Aides
- Manage care of 2 owls, 4 snakes, 1 salamander, 2 frogs, 3 turtles, and invertebrates
- Teach in Tamarack's early childhood program several times a year.
- Plan and lead large events for 50+ people
- Co-lead summer day camps with a focus on hiring and training staff and volunteers

### **Wildlife Coordinator**

September 2018 - October 2023

#### **Osprey Wilds Environmental Learning Center, Sandstone, MN**

- Interview, train, and mentor over 25 fellows in teaching, animal husbandry, and animal training
- Manage a \$14,000 budget for animal care and a \$1,500 budget for outreach programs
- Coordinate, plan, and implement 1 and 2-hour onsite and offsite programs, day and overnight camps
- Active member of the justice, equity, diversity, inclusive (JEDI) committee
- Collaborate and energetically work with three other leadership staff

### **Interim Wildlife Coordinator**

June 2018 – September 2018

#### **Osprey Wilds Environmental Learning Center, Sandstone, MN**

- Effectively communicate with a variety of groups of people and ages from early childhood to adults
- Oversee all ambassador animal care and training for over 20 species of animals
- Schedule staff for animal care chores
- Repair and maintain enclosures for birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish and invertebrates
- Monitor the health and behavior of animals.

### **Zoo Show Naturalist**

April 2018 – June 2018

#### **World Bird Sanctuary, Valley Park, MO**

- Trainer for 20-minute long flight bird programs done at John Ball Zoo in Michigan
- Able to adapt quickly to changes that may arise during a show

### **Wildlife Fellow**

August 2016 – March 2018

#### **Osprey Wilds Environmental Learning Center, Sandstone, MN**

- Co-teach outreach and onsite programs involving education animals for up to 200 people
- Supervise day-to-day operations in the wildlife barn
- Experience teaching team building, adventure, STEM, cultural, and wildlife classes
- Completed Master's certificate in environmental education

### **Receptionist**

June 2011- August 2016

#### **Center for New Students Office, Harper College, Palatine, IL**

- Made appointments, checked in students for appointments, performed general clerical duties
- Demonstrated listening skills by speaking to parents or students over the phone
- Enhanced communication skills with students and counselors to assess their needs

## **AFFILIATIONS**

### **National Association for Interpretation (NAI) Member**

February 2022 - Present

<b>Osprey Wilds Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusive (JEDI) Committee Member</b>	June 2020 - October 2023
<b>Minnesota Naturalist Association Member</b>	June 2020 - Present
• Scholarship and Grants Committee Chair Board Member	February 2020 - December 2022
<b>International Association of Avian Trainers and Educators Member</b>	January 2018 - Present
<b>Everyone's Table Volunteer</b>	April 2019 - January 2024
• Secretary Board Member	January 2020 - January 2024
<b>Wild Rivers Conservancy Volunteer</b>	October 2022 - Present

## **TRAINING**

<b>Intercultural Development Inventory- Orientation in Adaptation</b>	November 2022
<b>Certified Interpretive Guide through NAI</b>	February 2022
<b>Raptor Care and Management Workshop with the Gabbert Raptor Center</b>	October 2019
<b>Avian Training Workshop with the World Bird Sanctuary</b>	November 2017

## **EDUCATION**

<b>Career Foundry - UX Design Online Bootcamp</b>	April 2024 - Present
<b>Master's Certificate in Environmental Education</b> <i>Hamline University, St. Paul, MN</i>	May 2017
<b>Bachelor of Science in Biology, minor in Sustainability</b> <i>College of Biological Sciences, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN</i>	December 2015
<b>Study Abroad, Spirit of the Landscape</b> <i>Arcadia University, Glenside, PA</i> • Studied in New Zealand and Australia	May 2015 – June 2015
<b>Associates in Science</b> <i>William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL</i> • Member of Phi Theta Kappa	June 2013

## **ADDITIONAL SKILL**

Building lesson plans using the BEETLES cycle	Light carpentry skills
NASP BAI certified	Light power tool skills
First Aid/CPR	Data analysis
Conflict resolution	Biofact preparation
Strong communication and interpersonal skills	Proficient in Google Suite and Microsoft Office
Strong attention to detail	Figma

## **HOBBIES**

Avid hiker, bird watcher, kayaker, cross-country skier, rock climber, backpacker, reader, bowler, enjoys volunteering.