Wildlife Wonders/North Georgia Zoo

Internship Application  
Note: All answers must be printed or typed. Answers that are illegible or incomplete may preclude this application for consideration.

**Contact Information:**

**Date:** **Name:**

**Sex:** M or F **Date of Birth:** **Email:**

**Address:**

**City:** **State:**  **Zip:**

***If you have lived at your current address for less than 2 years, please list previous address.***

**Previous Address:**

**City:** **State:** **Zip:** **Home Phone:** **Cell Phone:**

**Emergency Contact**

**Name:**

**Home Phone:** **Work Phone:**

**\*If you are under the age of 18 years old and applying for a job, do you have a work permit?** Yes or No

**Interest Survey:**

**Please rate your interest in the following opportunities as:**   
1 = Very Interested 2 = Somewhat Interested 3 = Not Interested

\_\_\_ Cleaning Facility \_\_\_ Education \_\_\_ Newsletter/Publications \_\_\_Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Phone Assistance \_\_\_ Festival help \_\_\_ Fundraising \_\_\_Animal Care

\_\_\_ Maintenance \_\_\_ Public relations \_\_\_ Construction \_\_\_Guest experience

\_\_\_ Grant Writing \_\_\_ Special Events \_\_\_ Livestock / Farm \_\_\_ Administration

**Skills & Interests**

**Hobbies, Interests & Skills:**

**Current Occupation:**

**Education Background:**

**Previous Volunteer Experience:**

**Previous Experience Working with Animals & People:**

**Applicants must be responsible, mature, self-motivated individuals with dedication, a strong work ethic and stamina.**

* Must be able to work independently and with others.
* Must display a willingness to follow directions, and take responsibility for actions.
* Must be reliable, dependable, punctual and committed.
* Must show a commitment to God’s creation.

**Which internships they are applying for:**   
*(please circle your first choice and underline your second choice)*

* **Animal Care**
* **Animal Education**
* **Livestock & Agriculture**
* **Marketing & Public Relations**

**When are you available for an internship? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Will you be able to volunteer beforehand? If so when are you available?**

**Wildlife Wonders does provide housing: Will you need housing: YES NO**

**Do you have Insurance?** Yes or No

*If so please list the following information in case of an emergency:*

Company: Name of Insured:

Policy #

**In case of emergencies, do you have any allergies or medical conditions that we should be aware of?**

**Are there any other physical or mental conditions that we need to be aware of?**

**How did you hear about us: (Please be specific)**

**During the past 7 years, have you been convicted of a crime?** Yes or No

**If yes, please describe in detail:**

**References:**

**List 2 personal references that are not family members, one must be a former/ current employer**

**Name:** **Phone:**

**Address:** **Relationship:**

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**Summarize your special skills or qualifications:**

**Summarize your weaknesses:**

**Previous Employment:**

**For job applications only. Begin with most recent position.**

Company: Address:

City: State: Zip: Phone: Supervisor’s Name: Type of Business: Dates of Employment Start: End: Ending Salary:

Position Held:

Reason for leaving:

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**Wildlife Wonders Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk**

**This document affects your legal rights, please read it carefully**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, am aware that while volunteering, interning, working at, or visiting Wildlife Wonders, I may encounter certain risks, including risk associated with being around the animals at WW. I am voluntarily participating in these activities with knowledge of the potential danger and risk involved, and hereby agree to accept any and all risk of injury or death.

In consideration of WW allowing me to volunteer, work at, or visit the property and be around the animals, I agree that I WILL NOT sue, or otherwise make any claim against WW, its directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, volunteers, or against any land owner or lessee whose property may be used, for injury, damage, or death resulting from the negligence or other acts or omissions, however caused, by any WW directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, volunteers, or any third person as a result of my volunteering, working at, or visiting WW.

I also agree to release and forever discharge WW, its directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, volunteers from any and all actions, claims or demands for myself, my heirs or personal representatives, for injury, death or damage resulting from volunteering, working at, or visiting WW. The terms of this Release shall also be binding as to any of my minor children who may accompany me.

I hereby agree to follow any and all instructions given to me by any representative of WW. I agree to remain behind designated safety barriers or in designated areas and will not attempt to approach an animal or cage without express approval from WW and will not attempt to stick any item, including body parts, into a cage. I further agree not to handle any animal or put myself or others in any type of jeopardy by handling or provoking an animal.

WW expressly reserved the right to dismiss any person(s) or groups of persons if a representative of WW determines, at his or her sole discretion that said person are exposing themselves, others, or the animals to risk of injury.

**I have carefully read this Agreement and fully understand its contents. I am aware that this is a RELEASE OF LIABILITY and I sign it of my own free will.**

**Name:**  **Address:**  **City:**  **State:**  **Zip:**

**Phone:**

**Signature: Date:**

**If under the age of 21, a parent or guardian must release Wildlife Wonders of liability from that minor**

**Signature:**

**Printed Name:** **Date:**

**General Rules**

1. No one is allowed to come on the property without permission from the directors. You must have an appointment time set up. If no one is around you must wait until someone shows up.
2. IF WE FIND VOLUNTEERS WANDERING AROUND OUR PROPERTY after hours, THEIR PRIVILEGES AS A VOLUNTEER WILL BE TERMINATED.
3. NEVER stick your fingers in a cage.
4. NEVER open ANY gate (compound, animal cage or farm animals) unless you have permission by a zookeeper.
5. Only go to designated and approved areas.
6. NEVER EVER feed an animal without the keeper’s permission.
7. Do not enter buildings without permission.
8. Volunteers must be 16 years or older. (There are a few exceptions see director about younger volunteers.)
9. Attendance at volunteer meetings is mandatory. Meetings, though infrequent will be held in order to keep up with new procedures.
10. Any volunteer not meeting level requirements will be reduced to the level for which requirements are met.
11. Wildlife Wonders reserves the right to permanently excuse anyone from the volunteer program or from the center at any time if their conduct is deemed unbecoming for a person representing Wildlife Wonders.
12. No animal abuse of any kind will be tolerated.
13. No part of your person shall come within 3 feet of any cage that is not marked appropriately for your level.
14. No perfumes, colognes, or hairsprays shall be worn when at Wildlife Wonders.
15. Proper attire is necessary to eliminate scrapes and scratches.
16. No dangling jewelry, large shiny barrettes, pins, hair ties or large objects shall be worn.
17. No smoking shall be permitted on the premises due to the extreme fire hazards that go with living in the forest and hazards to the animals
18. No food or toys shall be offered to any animal without prior approval from management**.**
19. No alcohol or drugs shall be consumed prior to, or while working at Wildlife Wonders.
20. Any person believed to be impaired due to alcohol or drugs will be asked to leave the property for the day. We ask that all volunteers bring any infraction of this rule to management.
21. No running, horseplay or loud noises on the property. This is a sanctuary for the animals.
22. Please do not bring your domestic pets. The Wildlife Wonders animals can be susceptible to canine and feline diseases.
23. All litter shall be deposited in trash receptacles.
24. If you have been entrusted with enclosure codes or keys, DO NOT share these with anyone.
25. When you complete a project, do not walk away until all of the tools, materials and debris have been put away or discarded.
26. If you don’t know the answer to a question asked of you, please do not make one up. Tell the person that you will find out for them and then do so. Bad information is worse than none. Your words and actions are a reflection of our mission.
27. A professional attitude in working relationships between staff members should be maintained so as to enhance the operations of the center.
28. Proper attire must be worn in accordance with Wildlife Wonders dress code: On site: this includes but not limited to closed toed shoes and long pants at all times. Off site: closed toed or other approved footwear that is considered sturdy, professional and safe. Flip Flops are never approved, some sandals are okay. Please check with your employer to ensure you are wearing approved footwear.

I **have read the above and understood all of these rules and procedures. I also understand that these rules are subject to amendments later on. I agree to abide and enforce these rules.**

Signature: Printed Name:

Date:

**If under 21 years of age:**

Parent or Guardians Signature: Printed Name:

Date: