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THINK DIFFERENTLY

Zoo Keeper

Set in 25 hectares of tranquil surroundings, Hamilton Zoo is home to more than 600 native and exotic animals. We're looking for a Zoo Keeper to join our dedicated team.

If you love animals this is a great opportunity for you to work across all zoo operations and primarily be responsible for the care and display of our animal exhibits.

The successful candidates will be motivated team players with exceptional communication and collaboration skills that enable you to work seamlessly with others and support your team members.

You'll need to have an understanding of modern zoo philosophies, and be very safety conscious. The role offers a variety of mentally and physically demanding challenges, so being energetic and fit is important.

Previous experience in animal husbandry is a must, specifically with;

- **native and exotic birds.** The ideal candidate would have a good understanding of bird husbandry including but not limited to: artificial incubation, training, catching and handling skills. Any skills gained with wild bird populations and relevant conservation projects would also be valued.
- **large carnivores and primates.** The ideal candidate would have experience in both carnivore and primate husbandry, and a sound understanding of their behaviour and particular needs in a captive situation. You will also have a have an understanding of animal welfare requirement, enrichment and positive reinforcement training. A strong focus on a safe working environment is also paramount.

In addition, you should have an understanding of the zoo industry as well as a BScTech, Certificate in Animal Management (captive wild animals) or similar qualification or experience.

Hamilton Zoo, owned and operated by the Hamilton City Council, is committed to being a high-performance organisation with people who think differently, act with integrity, make it happen and work together.

This is your chance to be part of an organisation that is committed to building a stronger economy and a more attractive city for families through the delivery of the Hamilton Plan.

If this role sounds like it's for you, we would love to hear from you. We are looking to fill a variety of positions, including different hours

worked as rostered Monday – Sunday, please state your work preferences on your Cover Letter.

The recruitment salary commences from \$43,500 (pro-rata) and can be negotiated for the right candidate.

All candidates will be notified of the outcome on their application via email. Short-listed candidates will be required to complete an interview process, reference checks, pre-employment medical and drug assessments and Ministry of Justice or Police vetting check.

For further information refer to the position description available on our careers website at <https://hamilton.careercentre.net.nz/Job>

Please note this role is being sourced directly and we are not accepting applications via external recruitment agencies.

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