



### **Team Leader/Bird & Mammal Department Keeper (Full Time)**

Here at Oakvale we are committed to providing exciting conservation initiatives through education, research programs and through our growing threatened and endangered species breeding programs as well as through our recently launched of our 'Save Our Wildlife' Campaign.

The right applicant will possess a bright and bubbly personality coupled with the passion, professionalism and knowledge to take Oakvale forward during our period of growth in all of our new exciting ventures across the entire park.

The Team Leader role will be to support the Senior Keeper and Management in the day to day operation of the park as well as liaising with all department Round Keepers on matters of animal health, hygiene, diet, training and enrichment. Part of this role will include the role of Volunteer Coordinator whose primary role will be to assist the Senior Keeper and Management with the rostering, managing and coordinating of our Volunteers. The role will incorporate the Bird/Mammal round and the Team Leader and Volunteer Coordinator tasks will be structured around the existing husbandry duties in this department.

#### **Selection Criteria:**

- Possess sound knowledge and understanding of the animal husbandry related practices, including capture and restraint, dietary requirements, reproduction etc. for the species kept in the Bird/Mammal Department at Oakvale. Species such as a wide variety of Macropod, Raptors, Ratites and various Australian species of parrots.
- Overall knowledge and understanding of the animal husbandry related practices, including capture and restraint, dietary requirements and reproduction. Possess good species knowledge for a wide variety of animal classes including birds, reptiles and mammals.
- Good knowledge and experience in positive animal training techniques, conditioning & enrichment for a wide variety of species.
- Excellent communication skills
- Strong customer service skills
- An ability to prioritize workloads and instruct staff and volunteers to reflect those priorities.
- WHS awareness and the ability to identify safety concerns in the workplace.
- Possess a good understanding of Microsoft word, excel and power point.
- Exceptional presentation and public speaking skills.
- Sound time management skills.
- A flexible, positive and professional attitude.
- A passion to grow and develop a Bird & Mammal Department at a zoological institution.
- A passion for educating others on the importance of high husbandry standards.

Please forward your cover letter and resume highlighting the necessary skills and knowledge outlined in the selection criteria as well as the attached position description to [admin@oakvalefarm.com.au](mailto:admin@oakvalefarm.com.au)

**Applications close: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017**