



## **FULL TIME EDUCATION OFFICER**

**(or Casual up to 38 hours/week)**

### **About the Sanctuary:**

Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary opened in 1927 as a safe refuge for sick, injured, and orphaned koalas. Today, Lone Pine remains a much loved and iconic destination for local and international guests to not only see native Australian animals, but to also connect and learn. Our goal is that everyone leaves feeling inspired to make small, positive changes in their daily lives to help protect their own native wildlife and habitats.

Through collaboration with our 95+ employees, suppliers, and customers, we aim to set a new standard in environmental wildlife management. This will contribute to building a stronger Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary.

**Our Vision** To protect, respect and conserve our environment and wildlife by educating and connecting people with nature.

**Our Mission** To inspire individuals and communities to live in balance with the natural world.

Located on the banks of the beautiful Brisbane River & only a few minutes from Brisbane CBD, this truly is a great place to work.

### **About the Position:**

The key purpose of an Education Officer is to support the Head of Education in development of the full range of education programs and opportunities offered by the Sanctuary and provide superior educational presentations to schools and the general public. The incumbent in this role will be able to demonstrate an ability to support the Sanctuary's Mission and Vision through the provision of high-quality education experiences that engage the community in local and national conservation actions.

The wide-ranging duties of this position require the person to be adaptable, well organised, innovative, motivating and willing to strive for excellence.

The Education Team conduct many of Lone Pine's Wildlife Experiences as well as curriculum-linked school programs, and school holiday programs. We work with children as young as 2 up to adults, people from various ability backgrounds as well as people from all over the world. Staff within the Education Department are often the face of Lone Pine and therefore need to be lively, factual and entertaining.

**The successful candidate will:**

- Support the Head of Education in developing high quality education programs, in line with National Curriculum, ZAA goals and Lone Pine's goals, designed for students ranging from K-tertiary (including home school, English Language Learners and special needs).
- Develop and manage the education materials needed to support education programs, including teacher resource packs.
- Administrative duties including managing the day-to-day operation the Education booking system, responding to booking enquiries, and ensuring appropriate follow-on communication or action.
- Liaise with booking holders including guests and teachers in a professional manner to ensure the smooth delivery of programs.
- Maintain up to date records relevant to the Education section and deliver reports to the Head of Education.
- Provide high quality training and for new staff as directed by the Head of Education.
- Assist in additional projects and programs as requested by the General Manager.

**Essential Requirements:**

- Exceptional Time Management skills.
- Possess the drive and motivation to deliver exceptional guest experiences
- Positive 'Can do' attitude.
- Comply with all Sanctuary policies, procedures and CATER Core Values.
- Bachelor's degree in science, education or related field (or equivalent).
- Experience of teaching and/or working with primary and secondary school pupils.
- Hold or be willing to apply for a Queensland Government issues blue card or blue card exemption for working with children.
- Demonstrated experience and working knowledge of developing and delivering educational programs to a diverse audience.
- Demonstrated experience in providing interpretative services in the zoo, parks or aquaria context.
- Ability to work effectively both individually and in a team environment to achieve a diverse range of tasks and projects.
- Ability to handle animals used in zoo education and knowledge of accompanying safety precautions associated with zoo operations and animal handling.
- Computer skills in a variety of contemporary office software programs, including knowledge of websites as an information and education tool.

- Knowledge of current curriculum trends and teaching methods for various phases of development.
- Demonstrated ability to perform a wide variety of duties and responsibilities with accuracy and speed under the pressure of time-sensitive deadlines.
- You must be fit and healthy.

**Desirable:**

- Knowledge of animal training techniques.
- Hold a current Provide First Aid and CPR certificate from a registered training organisation or be willing to undertake training if needed.
- Proficient in a language or multiple languages other than English.

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If you are looking for an exciting opportunity to join a dynamic team and move into a rewarding and challenging career within a spectacular, multi award-winning setting, then this is the role for you.

The successful applicant will of course have open access to our beautiful sanctuary and be able to enjoy our Team Member benefits.

If you have an infectious enthusiasm for wildlife and the desire to ignite visitor's curiosity and passion to make a difference for the planet, we encourage you to apply.

*We thank you for reviewing this ad and putting your valuable time and energy into this application. Please note, only successful applicants will be contacted.*