Raptor Domain and Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park are located on Kangaroo Island, South Australia. Kangaroo Island is located around 2 hours drive south of Adelaide requiring a ferry or plane to reach. It is around 150km long with three main townships, Kingscote, Penneshaw and Parndana.

Raptor Domain is home to a wide range of birds, birds of prey and reptiles. We have several free flying bird presentations a day as well as a reptile presentation.

Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park has a diverse range of native and exotic animals including koalas, macropods, penguins, dingoes, reptiles, birds and more.

**Position available:** Trainer / Keeper

**Weekly hours:** 35+ hours including weekends and public holidays.

**Position location:** Primarily Raptor Domain + Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park

**Position award and grade:** Amusement events and recreation 2020 – grade 3

**Position start date:** Negotiable but potentially late April - May

**Position information:** The successful applicant will be positioned primarily at Raptor Domain as a bird and reptile handler / trainer with training/shifts at Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park as well.

The role will include duties such as providing a high standard of care and husbandry to a range of birds, reptiles (including snakes) and mammals; animal training (particularly birds); public presentations, tours and private experiences; animal handling, interactions and encounters; enclosure care and general maintenance; customer service; record keeping; cleaning, shop duties and other related duties.

The successful applicant will be a strong team member with the ability to also work individually following instruction and direction given under internal policies, procedures and supervision.

**Essential criteria:**

* Prior wildlife experience particularly in animal care and husbandry.
* Passionate about animals (especially birds), environment and conservation.
* A positive attitude and work ethic with excellent time management skills.
* Excellent customer service skills.
* Strong public speaking skills with public presentation experience.
* Excellent OHS adhering to internal policy and protocols.

**Desirable criteria:**

* Prior bird training and free flight experience.
* Reptile handling experience.
* Venomous snake and reptile handling experience.
* Ability to carry out animal encounters and interactive activities.
* Basic maintenance skills

Due to the nature of the position it is not suitable for short term workers / visas.

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