



Media Release

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Get your Yellow on at the Sacramento Zoo Register for a Docent Training Class Today

WHAT: The Sacramento Zoo's Docent Program offers specialized training to individuals dedicated to supporting the Zoo's public education programs.

Docents are the Zoo's volunteer educators and must be 18 years of age or older. All Docents receive extensive training and go on to provide educational talks for Zoo visitors.

WHEN: The Zoo's next ten-week Docent course will begin in January 2017. Applications are due by December 15, 2016.

Training includes a mini-course in biology, as well as practice with effective teaching methods, behind-the-scenes Zoo tours and an educational Docent "shadow" program. Average training cost is \$70 per participant and includes a uniform and all training materials.

WHY: "Our Docents just love to share with people of all ages all that they have learned about the animals that live at the Sacramento Zoo as well as the importance of wildlife conservation issues worldwide," said Ann Geiger, Sacramento Zoo Director of Education. "Last year alone 140 dedicated Docents shared more than 18,000 hours of their time to help us to spread awareness about the animals in our care and the plight of animals in the wild."

HOW: For details about the upcoming Zoo Docent training classes and course requirements visit www.saczoo.org/Docent today!

WHERE: Sacramento Zoo at the corner of Land Park Dr. and Sutterville Rd. in William Land Park



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Sacramento Zoo – *Wildly Inspiring!*

Open since 1927, the Sacramento Zoo is home to more than 500 native, rare and endangered animals and is one of more than 200 accredited institutions of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. Located near the corner of Land Park Drive and Sutterville Road in William Land Park, the Zoo is wholly managed by the non-profit Sacramento Zoological Society. This Sacramento treasure inspires conservation awareness through education and recreation. Open daily from 10 am to 5 pm with last admission at 4 pm. General admission is \$11.75; children ages 2-11 are \$7.75 and one and under are admitted free. Parking is free throughout the park or ride Regional Transit bus #6. For information, call 916.808.5888 or visit saczo.org.

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