

Job Opportunitiy

The Heidelberg Zoo offers the following position

Head Keeper of the elephant department

We care for Elephants. The Heidelberg Zoo has developed from an outdated system of elephant keeping to an institution giving the welfare of our elephant the utmost importance. We believe in the importance of an ever challenging enrichment program for the physical and mental health of elephants. Our enrichment program for elephants fits to the highest standards. Beginning this year we will build a state of the art elephant house (1st step only cows) which will give new chances for the creativity and dedication of our keepers.



We are looking for an experienced elephant keeper who shares our ideas and wants to develop the future of our program with us.

Job Profile

- You have at least three years of experience working with elephants hands on
- You have experience with health care, enrichment, and training of elephants
- You are willing to work with elephants in protected contact as well
- You are determined to shape and train our team in cooperation with our elephant program advisor Alan Roocroft
- You are a team player, reliable, hard working and looking to work in a zoo where you can influence development
- You take the other animals of the department (hoofstock) as a challenge to work with as well
- You are determined to learn all your life and you regard the contact with visitors as an important part of your job. You are willing to learn basic knowledge of German.

We can offer a job in one of the most beautiful cities of Germany. A zoo which really needs you and where you and your ideas can grow with.

Our new head keeper should start working as soon as possible. If you are interested please send your application until 15th February 2008 to Markus Jungmann, Tiergarten Heidelberg gGmbH, Tiergartenstraße 3, 69120 Heidelberg, Germany or an email to <u>markus.jungmann@heidelberg.de</u>. If you want to have any additional information on our elephant program, the animals or the new house, please contact our veterinarian Kerstin Jurczynski (<u>kerstin.jurczynski@heidelberg.de</u>)