

## Job description

**Title of post**: Bird Staff and Conservation Assistant

**Salary**: up to £18,500

**Post:** Full time (initial 6 months probationary period) 40 hrs per week – 5 days over 7 including weekends and bank holidays on a rota.

**Principal location of work**: Newent, Gloucestershire with flexibility to travel to other sites for specific tasks if required

Immediate line manager: Curator

Qualifications required for post: BSc or equivalent in a relevant scientific subject

Other desirable qualifications: Further or Additional Higher Educational qualifications

**Experience required for post**: Please see person specification below for details.

## Overall purpose of post and main duties:

- Assist with cleaning and maintaining aviaries and general site maintenance, such as painting etc
- Assist with training and flying birds of prey for demonstrations and other visitor experiences
- Assist your team colleagues in all relevant duties.
- Assist with guided tours of the Centre and the cover of school visits and outreach events when necessary.
- Develop your understanding and knowledge of the birds in the collection, including your understanding of conservation issues in relation to projects undertaken by the Centre
- Oversee the day-to-day work, monitoring and record keeping of specified project/s at ICBP
- Assist in the collation and analysis of data collected from specified projects.
- Be familiar with legislation relating to relevant conservation project/s, such as health and safety, CITES regulations and the Wildlife and Countryside Act etc.
- Foster the Centre's relationship with our partners and other conservation organisations.
- Work closely with management and other bird staff team members with regards to conservation project/s. Ensure your line manager is consulted and updated regularly.
- Encourage good relationships with all other centre departments. Network with other zoo professionals to maintain good relationships between the centre and external organisations.
- Any other duties as instructed by the Curator or Director of the Centre

Closing date: 28/05/2021

**Initial interviews:** 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> of June for via video call

Secondary interviews and workday dates: 15th & 16th of June 2021

Please submit a letter of application together with a CV to <a href="mailto:careers@icbp.org">careers@icbp.org</a>



## **Person specification**International Centre for Birds of Prey

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Specification	Essential	Desirable
1. Education/Training	BSc or equivalent in a relevant scientific subject ie; Zoology; Conservation Biology etc.	<ul> <li>Further or additional higher education qualifications</li> <li>Post graduate study or projects</li> </ul>
2. Relevant Experience	<ul> <li>Ability to demonstrate working with birds of prey</li> <li>Ability to demonstrate flying / training birds of prey</li> <li>Ability to demonstrate excellent communication skills</li> <li>Ability to demonstrate being a team player</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experience with a variety of bird of prey species of varying sizes</li> <li>Experience of public flying demonstrations or similar public speaking</li> <li>Experience in a bird of prey centre or zoo setting</li> </ul>
3. Relevant Skills/Aptitudes	<ul> <li>Interpersonal/team working skills</li> <li>Public speaking / presentation skills</li> <li>Ability to work with a varied team including volunteers</li> <li>Problem solving and creativity</li> <li>Willingness to actively seek and act on advice</li> <li>Basic practical DIY skills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attention to detail and ability to follow strict protocols</li> <li>Understanding of research relevant to the role</li> <li>Desire to learn / improve your knowledge and skills</li> <li>Advanced DIY skills</li> </ul>
4. Special Requirements	<ul> <li>Full driving licence</li> <li>Flexibility</li> <li>Ability to work weekends, bank holidays and some evenings</li> <li>Ability to work under pressure</li> <li>Experience of conservation projects, data collection and monitoring</li> </ul>	