Volunteer Position Opening

Title: Animal Care – Hellbender Keeper (Volunteer Position, Unpaid)
Reports to: Animal Care Specialist - Kim Turner
Duration: Year-round
Time Commitment: 1 – 2 hours weekly and 5 hours to clean the tank once a month

General Description

Responsibilities

- **Weekly:**
  - Feed the Hellbenders and track their diets
  - Complete a partial change of the aquariums water (10-15 gallons)
  - Check water temperature, filtration, chiller, bubbler and lights and make sure they are functioning properly
  - Observe the Hellbenders for any behavioral changes or injuries
  - Communicate with the Animal Care Specialist about any concerns or needs

- **Once a month:**
  - Overhaul the aquarium (empty tank, scrub rocks and décor, replace décor, refill tank, make sure water temperature is correct and equipment is properly hooked up and operating)
  - Clean filter
  - Check on chiller and clean if needed
  - Weigh the Hellbenders

Minimum Qualifications

- At least 16 years of age
- Has reliable transportation
- Able to lift 50 pounds (depending on job)
- Able to stand on a stepladder
- Comfortable handling reptiles and amphibians
- Proficient at following instructions
- Able to problem solve
- Self-directed, but also able to work under instruction and with others
- Highly dependable
• Professional and able to take responsibility
• Detail oriented

Preferred Qualifications
• Experience with amphibians or reptiles

Training and Orientation
• Training and orientation are provided

To Apply
Send an email outlining your availability, experience working with live animals, and why you are interested in this volunteer position to Kim Turner at kturner@auduboncnc.org or by mail at:

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