



Lion, Tiger and Bear Symposium Agenda

Tuesday, July 8th

Behavior and Husbandry of Lions, Tigers and Bears 8:00am – 12:00 Noon

Event	Speaker
Welcome and Symposium Overview	Dr. Nora Wineland Dr. Laurie J. Gage
The Principals of Behavior-Based Husbandry	Else Poulsen , President, The Bear Care Group
Foundations for Simple and Successful Carnivore Enrichment	Dawn Neptune , Behavioral Programs Coordinator, Utah's Hogle Zoo
Break	
Using Operant Conditioning Techniques for Long Term Behavioral Management	Jay Pratte , Behavioral Husbandry Manager, Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo
Discussion Panel	Moderator: Jeff Baker
Lunch at Cafeteria on Site	

Safety and Disaster Planning 1:00pm – 5:15pm

Event	Speaker
Better Safe than Sorry	Steve Bircher , St. Louis Zoo
Safety Procedures for Large Carnivores and Considerations for Carnivores as Program Animals	Hollie Colahan
911... What is Expected, and Happens When Public Safety Officers Respond to Your Facility	Tim Harrison , Director, Outreach for Animals
Break	
Contingency Plans for Animal Emergencies and Natural Disasters	Yvonne Nadler , M.P.H., veterinary epidemiologist, Lincoln Park

Fiscal Responsibility – Protecting Your Animals Through Sound Financial Management	Kellie Heckman, PhD
Discussion	Moderator: AnnMarie Houser

Wednesday, July 9th

Cubs to Adults: Lion, Tiger and Bear Care 8:00am – 12:00 Noon

Event	Speaker
Cub Development in Large Carnivores	Else Poulsen
Best Practices for Black Bear Cub Rearing	Vanessa Stoffel
Best Practices for Hand Rearing Lions and Tigers	Gail Hedberg
Diet and Nutrition for Lions, Tigers, and Bears	Dr. Cheryl Morris, BS, MS, PhD, Assistant Professor, Iowa State University and Nutritionist, Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo
Break	
What Defines a Reputable Sanctuary, Why Are They Needed, and How We Provide Human Care	Ben Callison Director, Cleveland Amory Black Beauty Ranch
Discussion	Moderator: Susanne Brunkhorst
Lunch at Cafeteria on Site	

Transportation and Preventive Veterinary Care 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Event	Speaker
Preparing for a Successful Transport	Alan Sironen
Pre-shipment Evaluation of International Facilities	Ray Sutton
Transportation of Lions, Tigers and Bears	Pat Craig
Preventive Medicine in Travelling Large Carnivores	Dr. Ellen Wiedner
Break	
Geriatric Large Carnivore Husbandry and Medical Considerations	Dr. Ellen Wiedner
Principle of Preventive Medicine for Lions, Tigers and Bears	Dr. Wm. Kirk Suedmeyer
Documenting and Developing Programs of Adequate Veterinary Care Bears	Dr. Kate Ziegerer
Discussion	Moderator: Tracy Thompson