

Should you Attend?

Monday, 2 October 2023

- **Pre Trip**

Open to all conference attendees and any of their guests to join us for an exciting adventure to the Grand Rapids, MI. Spend part of the day touring the John Ball Zoo and then relaxing at the Robinette's Apple Haus & Winery to wind out the adventure. Keep in mind this is an additional cost outside of the Full-Registration fee.

Tuesday, 3 October 2023

- **Z-CAP**

This meeting is required for Committee Leadership but open to all ZRA members (even very new members) who are interested in the Association's ongoing projects. Expect to hear updates from the Board and each Committee. Attendees of this meeting will have the opportunity to participate in planning for next year

- **ZIMS Workshop**

Open to all conference attendees, these workshops are your opportunity to hear from the systems' experts, learn about recent updates, and ask questions.

- **Ice Breaker**

Open to all conference attendees; guests are welcome to attend but there is a fee unless they have paid for a Full Registration as well.

Wednesday, 4 October 2023

- **Opening Remarks/Keynote Speaker**

Open to all conference attendees

- **General Sessions**

Open to all conference attendees; expect a day full of presentations on core categories of record keeping; wildlife permits and legislation; animal transport; records and collection management; and conservation.

- **Tracks Workshop**

Open to all conference attendees, these workshops are your opportunity to hear from the systems' experts, learn about recent updates, and ask questions.

- **Optional Event- New Member Soirée**

Open to all conference attendees. Guests may attend but there is a fee unless they have paid for a Full Registration as well. Come meet the new generation of Registrars. Make them feel welcome and get to know them.

Thursday, 5 October 2023

- **General Sessions**

Open to all conference attendees; expect a day full of presentations on core categories of record keeping; wildlife permits and legislation; animal transport; records and collection management; and conservation.

- **AnimalCare Software Workshop**

Open to all conference attendees, these workshops are your opportunity to hear from the systems' experts, learn about recent updates, and ask questions.

- **Zoo Day**

Open to all conference attendees; guests are welcome to attend but there is a fee unless they have paid for a Full Registration as well. Visit the hosting institution, see their grounds, go behind-the-scenes and enjoy lunch and dinner at the zoo.

- **Silent Auction**

Open to all conference attendees; items will be available for viewing and bidding during the evening dinner. Take a look at all the fun items donated by our colleagues and win the bidding war for your favorite items.

Friday, 6 October 2023

- **Business Meeting**

This meeting is open to ZRA Members only. While all Members are invited, we ask that Professional Members make it a priority to attend. Important decisions are discussed and voted on (if necessary) at this time. Please note: only Professional Members can vote on ZRA business.

- **General Sessions**
Open to all conference attendees; expect a day full of presentations on core categories of record keeping; wildlife permits and legislation; animal transport; records and collection management; and conservation.
- **Closing Remarks**
Open to all conference attendees
- **Optional Event- First Friday Downtown South Bend**
Open to conference attendees and guests to join us for this immersive community experience showcasing the best of what downtown South Bend has to offer. There is a small additional cost outside of registration to cover the cost of Transportation from the hotel to downtown South Bend.

Saturday, 7 October 2023

- **Post Trip**
Open to all conference attendees and any of their guests to join us for an exciting adventure to Chicago, IL. Learn about the 130-year long history behind the skyline from the beautiful Chicago River. It's the one thing everyone tells you to do in Chicago, done right. Then we will visit the lovely Lincoln Park Zoo to round the day out. Keep in mind this is an additional cost outside of the Full-Registration fee.