**Job Posting**

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**Job Summary**
The Senior Aquarist of Life Support Water Quality (LSWQ) is a senior LSWQ position with thorough knowledge of all aspects of the aquarium’s animal care and related operations activities. This position is expected to take a leadership role and is capable of serving as a reference and offering guidance to Husbandry staff, fostering effective communication and coordinating sub-department activities. The Senior Aquarist - LSWQ is a working aquarist with a curatorial assistant role. The Senior Aquarist -LSWQ reports to the Curator of Life Support and Water Quality works closely with all the veterinary staff to manage treatment of the collection in various galleries and works with members of other Audubon Nature Institute (ANI) departments.

**Essential Functions**
- Have an advanced knowledge of life support equipment, water chemistry and water quality parameters with the ability to identify, troubleshoot and address problems. Have an advanced knowledge of plumbing and construction as it pertains to the function of life support systems exhibits.
- Fluently perform geometric and concentration calculations, life support equipment specific calculations, as well as arithmetic for small scale construction projects. Serve as leader for rest of Husbandry department in this area.
- Identify and correct support system and exhibit maintenance issues and act as a leader for larger problems.
- Recognize compliance with all AZA standards of Accreditation and Audubon Aquarium of the Americas established protocols for animal care including, but not limited to, diet administration, exhibit maintenance, behavioral conditioning, recordkeeping and safety. Address compliance issues directly, providing guidance to other staff, leads by example and brings larger issues to supervisors. Develop solutions to problems and directly organize staff in the absence of management to remedy.
- Function as a leader and a resource for husbandry staff in day to day operations, proving guidance without being told. Assisting staff with the development of exhibit improvements, training and enrichment proposals, and encouraging advancements in husbandry practices in all galleries.

**Other Duties and Responsibilities**

**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities**

**Education & Experienced Required**
- Minimum of six years of paid experience in a zoological facility or public aquarium, OR, demonstrated and
confirmed skill set and knowledge required for the position as stated in the job description (ANI Internal candidates only) is required. AZA accredited public aquarium facility is preferred.

- Significant experience in the care of zoological exhibits with a primary focus on fishes and aquatic invertebrates. Strong familiarity with care of reptiles and amphibians.
- Plumbing, constriction and exhibit renovation experience.
- Demonstration of leadership, strong people skills, and strong communication skills.
- Strong working knowledge of construction project skill, development and execution.

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