

2019 AZVT Conference

WET LAB OFFERINGS

September 23rd

~ Cytology Lab ~ Limit: 30

Instructor: Joel Pond, CVT

Time: 8 am – Noon

Location: Hotel

Cost: \$30

Back by popular demand! A morning with THE Joel Pond and an educational course on microscopic cytology. You will learn and practice various techniques for sample preparation for quality interpretation. Some slides will be provided by Cheyenne Mountain Zoo's contract pathologist, Dr. Sushan Han, for review of various types of necropsy tissue and other fun things she finds. You are encouraged to bring your own slides to review and share.

Materials and Lunch Provided

~ Medical Focused Behavior Training ~ Limit: 15

Instructor: Rick Hester

Time: 8 am – 3 pm

Location: Cheyenne Mountain Zoo

Cost: \$30

This lab will discuss the rich teaching technology that comes from behavior analysis, with examples of how it's applied when teaching animals the skills necessary to thrive in human care. It will focus on medical behaviors with several site visits to watch and discuss active training sessions.

Transportation and Lunch Provided

Bio: Rick Hester is the Animal Behavior Manager for CMZoo, overseeing the zoo's behavioral programs (training & enrichment, problematic behavior replacement, animal welfare assessments). Rick started at CMZoo 13 years ago as a primate keeper. In 2014, under the guidance of Dr. Susan Friedman, he began studying behavior analysis and its application with animals in human care. He is also a co-instructor for Dr. Friedman's course, Living and Learning With Animals, for animal behavior professionals.

~ Hoofcare Lab; Zoo Hoofstock Trim Program (ZHTP) ~ Limit: 7

Instructor: Steve Foxworth, CNBBT, CNBF, CIS, CE, CI

Time: 8 am – 3 pm

Location: Penrose, CO; ELPO/ZHTP Education Facility

Cost: \$80

A lab on maintenance and preventative hoofcare management; focusing on basic lower limb anatomy and how to recognize distortions, changes and leverages on the hoof capsule. Horse and cow cadavers will allow participants to practice with multiple hoof trimming tools and techniques. ZHTP will enable zoo staff to better aid in the comfort and soundness of their hooved ambassadors.

Transportation, Materials, and Lunch Provided

Bio: Steve Foxworth has been a farrier in northern Colorado since 2002, working with a range of horses from backyard pets to high performance animals. In 2007, he received his Lameness Specialist Certification from the Equine Lameness Prevention Organization (ELPO), finding great success turning around lame horses to sound. Shortly after receiving his certification, the Denver Zoo requested an assessment on a lame zebra. This opened the door for Steve to work with a variety of exotic hoofstock and allowing the ELPO to conduct a wild equid hoof study. In 2013, he formed a relationship with CMZoo, becoming an integral member in the development of a giraffe hoof trimming protocol. Steve continues the ELPO's commitment to research, education, certification, information, and professionalism through teaching and speaking opportunities.