

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOO KEEPERS  
**AAZK Excellence in Training Award**

Nomination Form  
 Deadline for Nomination  
 May 1



**FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY – COMPLETE BOTH PAGES OF THE APPLICATION**

*Please read and verify nomination criteria prior to completing the nomination.*

This application is an Adobe® fillable PDF that should be completed *electronically* with Adobe Reader® or Adobe Acrobat®.

**ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT AWARD NOMINATION AND ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:**

Autumn Lindey, Chair  
 AAZK Awards Committee  
[Awards@AAZK.org](mailto:Awards@AAZK.org)

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**NOMINEE**

NAME(S) (PREFERRED PRONOUNS) (ALL Nominee(s) shall be members of AAZK, in good standing)

PRIMARY EMAIL

POSITION TITLE

YEARS OF SERVICE

YEARS AS AAZK MEMBER

FACILITY

FACILITY ADDRESS

**NOMINATOR** (must be an animal care professional)

NAME (PREFERRED PRONOUNS)

TITLE

EMAIL

TELEPHONE

**ADDITIONAL REFERENCES**

NAME (PREFERRED PRONOUNS)

EMAIL

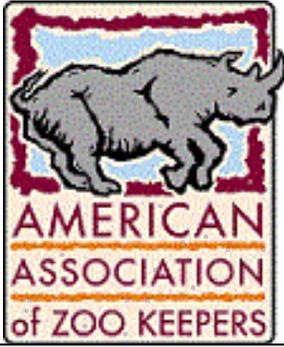
**TO BE COMPLETED BY FACILITY DIRECTOR OR CURATOR**

*I endorse the nomination and accomplishments herein of the nominee.*

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 SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
 NAME

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 DATE



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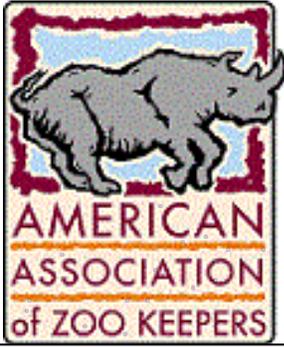


**NOMINEE EXPERIENCE**

*Please refer to the award guidelines for more details.*

**Describe in detail the specific need the behavior was being trained to meet. Did the behavior meet the training goal? Did the behavior meet a physical/medical need, a mental need or a departmental need?**

Empty text area for describing the nominee's experience.



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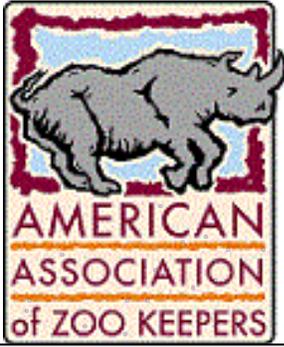


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**Is the behavior a novel behavior that has never been trained before in the species or in a zoological setting? If so, explain how the concept for training the behavior was developed.**

Empty text area for providing nominee experience details.



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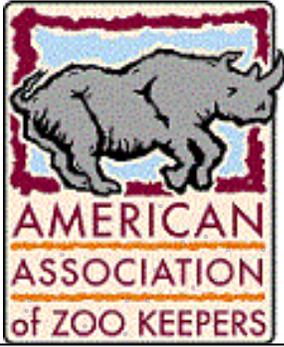


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**Was the behavior documented from start to finish with shaping plans, training logs, pictures and /or videos or a comparable method? Could this behavior be replicated by other keepers from the documentation?**

Empty space for providing nominee experience details.



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**List the ways in which the nominee has shared, or plans to share, these training accomplishments. Did training this behavior inspire other behaviors to be trained or other keeper to embark on a training plan?**

Empty text area for the nominee's response.