

EXAMPLE 7 International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council

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Greetings!

I've just read and signed a petition that elicited an unusual resonance in me. Most likely because I've just finished authoring a piece on wildlife rehabilitation in Africa. Writing the article highlighted for me how much of what we hear about globally in wildlife rehabilitation comes from Western cultures. We need more urgent and loud voices in wildlife rehabilitation telling the story of work in Tanzania, Thailand, Tajikistan and beyond.

If you have a moment read the petition on the need for diverse voices in conservation. It ends thus: "we call for a conservation ethic diverse in its acceptance of genders, cultures, ages and values."

Kai

Restored Puffin Colony

Hand-feeding, ensuring waterproofing, use of audio recordings - sounds like your typical avian rehab, but its not. In 1973, around the same time IWRC, then WRC, was started, an ornithologist on the east coast of North America was working to reintroduce puffins to a Maine island. Forty years later the area is home to over 2000 puffins.

<u>Listen to an interview</u> with the ornithologist and view gorgeous puffin pictures.

Noteworthy News

What's behind the successful recovery and release of bats with white nose syndrome? <u>Getting bananas to market</u>.



IWRC Courses



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- Basic Wildlife Rehabilitation, Trinidad (Freeport)
- Pain and Wound Management, Trinidad (Freeport)



• Basic Wildlife Rehabilitation, St. Kitts (Closed course)

We are scheduling Fall courses now! If you are interested in

Just how many senses do bats use during flight? Scientists have been researching the <u>importance of touch</u> <u>in bat flight</u>. Next time you feel a bit of wind on your skin consider that bats can not only feel wind direction but turbulence and subtle airflow changes.

Some non-mammal vertebrates produce their own <u>sunscreen</u>.

Dr Claude Lacasse, former IWRC board member, was instrumental in the recent <u>release of a koala</u> two years in rehab.

In recognition of last Friday's <u>Times Square Ivory</u> <u>Crush</u>, USFWS liaison to IWRC/NWRA, Resee Collins, commented: "For a few memorable moments people across the globe were connected, reminding us that the ecosystems supporting elephants, rhinos, tigers and other imperiled species support us all. And, that we can all make a difference in conservation, like [wildlife rehabilitators] do, every day."

Research Corner: Salary Compensation Survey

Please take IWRC's <u>wildlife rehabilitator compensation</u> <u>survey</u>. Our survey is intended to help wildlife rehabilitation centers understand the range of benefits and salaries at centers across the world. Please ensure only one person at your wildlife rehabilitation center answers this survey. We suggest you do this by having the center director complete the survey.

Note that you do NOT need to have any paid staff positions to complete the survey.

If you have any questions on the survey please contact me at director@theiwrc.org or call 866-871-1869 x1

bringing a class to you, contact Julissa at julissa@theiwrc.org

Upcoming Conferences Other Upcoming Opportunities

Notes

The <u>raptor ID</u> section is easily accessible in IWRC's resources section. We have plans to revamp the structure and layout - but don't want to keep a valuable resource from our membership.

All IWRC Journals of Wildlife Rehabilitation available to all members at http://theiwrc.org/journal-of-wildliferehabilitation/

Provided 2014 Symposium talks are available at <u>http://theiwrc.org/symposium/2014-</u> 2

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