

Go to ZOOLEX yourself and see Asia Trail: www.zoolex.org

Most of our reader are Asian and will find this collection of reviews of the Asia Trail helpful. We have produce one page vignettes of a selection of them. As the sites says "Asia Trail is a theme area at the National Zoological Park in Washington D.C. with exhibits for seven Asian animal species and extensive interpretation. Each animal exhibit is featured separately with species specific detail information and the common general information on Asia Trail."

If you are not web-wize and computer literate, you need to be. A good way to start is to get a yahoo or gmail or rediffmail account (free). Go to a browsing centre and ask management to help you with this. It is free. The browsing centre, if commercial, is not free but also is good value for money (except in a Business Centre in a Five Star hotel). Some libraries and universities have free computer usage. Check it out. It is all our future.

Check these sites about Asia Trail :

Asia Trail Sloth Bear Exhibit:
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Want to be a better Zoo Designer : check out ZooLex Internships

ZooLex Zoo Design Organization offers internships for both students and professionals. Undergraduates, graduates, and post-graduates from various academic backgrounds (landscape architecture, architecture, marketing, biology, etc.) with an interest in zoo design are encouraged to apply. The program allows individuals to pursue interests in zoo design and to acquire practical work experience in research, resource development for zoo professionals, and publishing.

ZooLex interns work at the ZooLex office, travel to zoos for research, and represent ZooLex at conferences and workshops. Research projects are related to zoo design and are developed in cooperation with ZooLex staff depending on the intern's abilities and interests.

Applications for Internships

Applicants have an excellent command of English. They have skills in writing and editing. They have practice in using a word processing program (such as Word), a spreadsheet program (such as Excel) and email. Competence in using an image processing program (such as Photoshop) and drawing (sketching) are advantageous but not required. ZooLex interns are trained in the use of computer and internet applications. They learn how to prepare ZooLex exhibit presentations and other content for the ZooLex website. After several weeks they become very autonomous and have responsibilities in their work. Working hours are flexible, summing up to 35 hours a week. Interns staying longer than two months can take off an average of 2 days (14 hours) each month.

There is no program fee and no salary, and the program does not provide living accomodation or transportation. However, inexpensive housing is available. Living costs in Vienna are about 400 EUR a month for lodging, public transportation and food. Additional expenditures will depend on the intern's research project and interest to participate in conferences and workshops.

Interested candidates for internships should send a cv/ resume, a letter of reference, and a letter of intent. For more information about internships, please contact zoolex@zoolex.org.

ZooLex Newsletter

The **ZooLex Newsletter** will inform you on new content and changes in ZooLex including new exhibit presentations and updates. We respect your privacy and will use your email address exclusively to send you the ZooLex Newsletter. To subscribe or unsubscribe you only need to fill in your email address and type the letters from the picture into the field on the site. See their home page and it will direct you. Again, you have to have an email address so go for it -- you are missing a lot. Don't !

The ZooLex Zoo Design Organization:

The ZooLex Zoo Design Organization is a non-profit organization, registered in Vienna (ZVR-Zahl 933849053), independent from companies and organizations. It relies on the support of subscribers, members, sponsors and well-wishers to fund its activities. Contact:

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Objectives:

The ZooLex Zoo Design Organization was established to help improve holding conditions for wild animals in captivity by

- publishing & disseminating information related to zoo design,
- promoting appropriate holding conditions for wild animals,
- providing balanced technical information about zoo design
- supporting research and vocational training related to zoo design.

Partnership with WAZA:

ZooLex provides a direct link to the WAZA website from its top navigation bar. The World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA) makes the ZooLex website available through www.waza.org and holds the ZooLex archive. WAZA's mission is to guide, encourage and support the zoos, aquariums, and like-minded organisations of the world in animal care and welfare, environmental education and global conservation. The purpose of this partnership is to mutually support each other organization's goal of promoting best practice in animal exhibit design.

Membership:

Please see the Terms and Conditions for the use of the ZooLex website.

Founders:

The ZooLex Zoo Design Organization was initiated by Monika Fiby, Hans Fiby and Nadja Ziegler:

Note: ZOOLEX permits us to publish in ZPM parts of sites and information from their website, which we do for readers who don't know about ZOO LEX, haven't an email connection or are too lazy to access the site.

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<http://www.zoolex.org/zoolexcgi/view.py?id=927>

ANIMALS:

Family: Ursidae

Species: *Melursus ursinus*

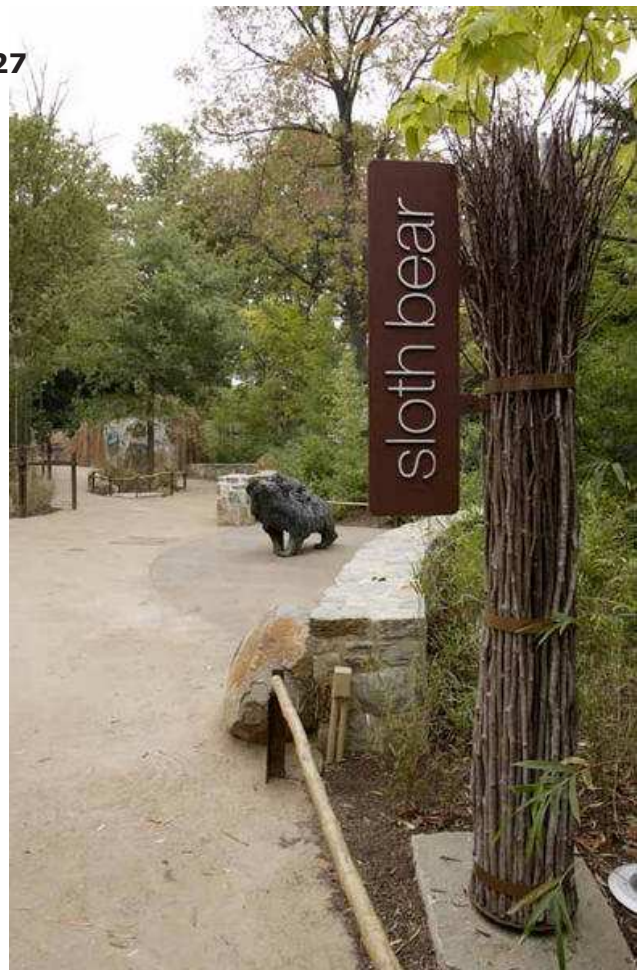
Common Name: Sloth Bear

Capacity: 4 adults

AWARDS:

- . 2007 Washington Building Congress Craftsmanship Award (for integrated energy efficient lighting)
- . 2007 Honorable Mention in 19th Annual Excellence in Exhibition Competition, American Association of Museums
- . 2007 AZA Significant Achievement Award for Exhibit Design
- . 2006 Presidential Citation for Sustainable Design (by Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects)

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Asia Trail Clouded Leopard Exhibit:

<http://www.zoolex.org/zoolexcgi/view.py?id=961>

ANIMALS:

Family: Felidae

Species: *Neofelis nebulosa*

Common Name: Clouded leopard

Capacity: 2

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Asia Trail Salamander Exhibit:

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ANIMALS:

Family: Cryptobranchidae

Species: *Andrias japonicus*

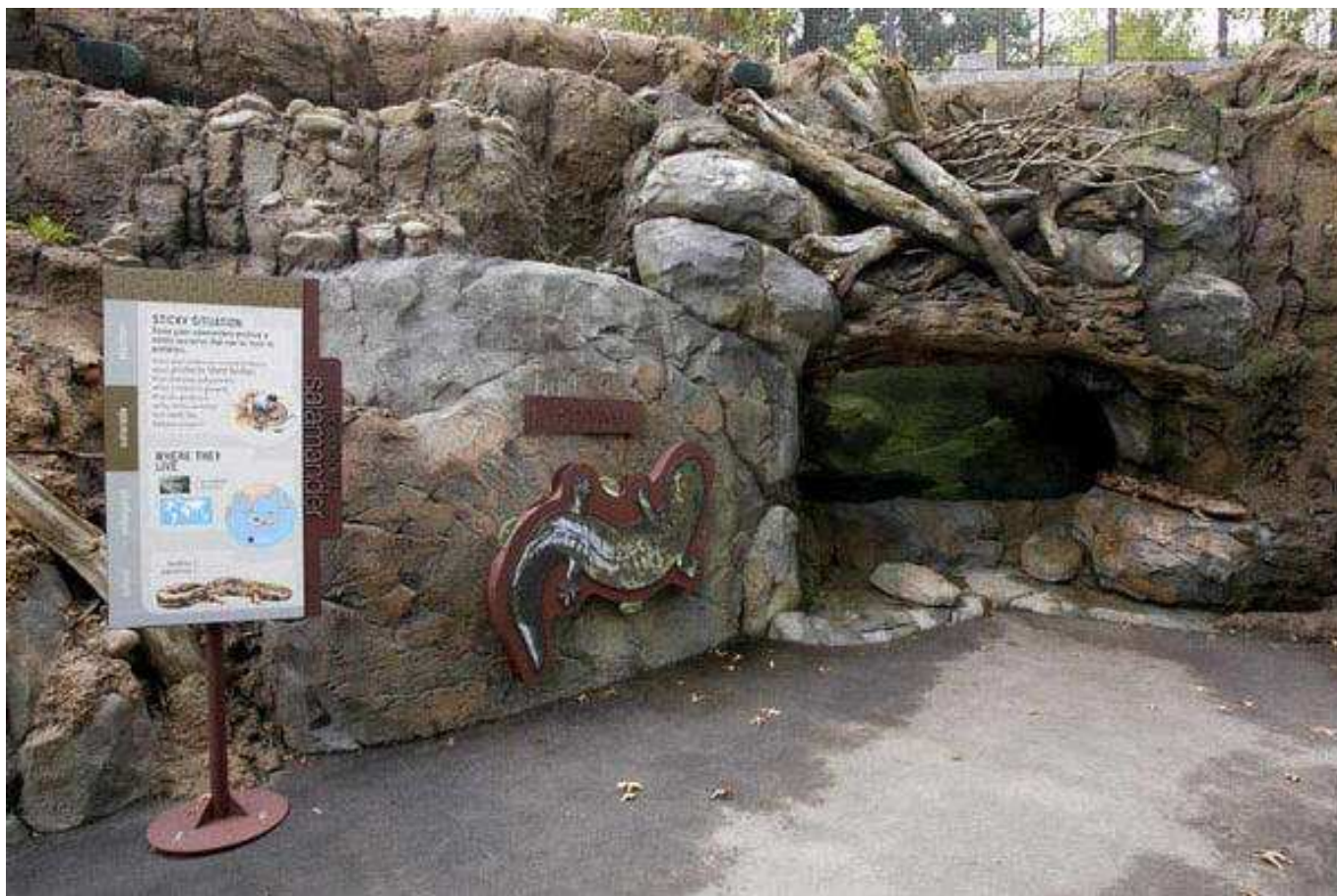
Common Name: Japanese giant salamander

Capacity: 1

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Asia Trail Giant Panda Exhibit:

<http://www.zoolex.org/zoolex/cgi/view.py?id=964>

ANIMALS:

Family: Ailuropoda

Species: *Ailuropoda melanoleuca*

Common Name: Giant panda

Capacity: 2 + offspring

AWARDS:

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Asia Trail Otter Exhibit:

<http://www.zoolex.org/zoolexcgi/view.py?id=963>

ANIMALS:

Family: Mustelidae

Species: *Aonyx cinerea*

Common Name: Asian small-clawed otter

Capacity: Up to 3 families

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