



Parrot Husbandry Volunteer

Do you have a passion for Parrots? Have you got experience in caring for captive parrots? Are you handy in the garden? If you answer yes to all these questions there could be a volunteer position for you with Echo on the Caribbean island of Bonaire.

A typical day will start with feeding the birds at 7am and monitoring the released birds coming in to feed. The rest of your day will include maintaining or improving the aviaries and cages; changing branches; leading aerobics classes with our 'fat-parrots'; foraging for native fruits to feed the birds; clearing trails; or developing the parrot viewing area. Depending on the unpredictable arrival of rescued birds, you may also get to take part in a release, or receiving new birds into the aviaries. You may also have the opportunity to be involved in other research, conservation or outreach activities, depending on Echo's activities while you are here.

NOTE: While you will generally be within earshot of the parrots, **these birds are not pets** and contact with the birds will be limited.

Applicants must be highly motivated, punctual as well as physically and mentally fit. You should also be prepared to live in basic accommodation (outdoor living with cold showers, composting toilets and solar power).

Before applying please download and read through our prospective volunteer background information to learn more about our field camp and team living conditions: <http://goo.gl/170WCw>

Start date: Immediate start possible, otherwise indicate your availability

Duration: A minimum of two weeks and up to 3 months is possible

Financial details: Echo is a small NGO. Volunteers are expected to fund international travel and their food (\$50-\$70/week) once here.

Application process: Download the (Word doc.) application form:

<http://goo.gl/rPO100>

Once complete email it to info@echobonaire.org

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