



Autumn Henry  
Husbandry Assistant with Wildflight

**How long have you worked in this job?**

I have been working here at the Texas State Aquarium since 2014, and I have been working with animals since I was 16.

**What does it take to get a job like yours?**

You need to have a passion for animals to start with. I also, like others, started by volunteering and interning which gets you experience which is the most important thing. I also have a degree in biology which is important as well. I picked a broad degree since you have to know a little bit about a lot of things working with animals.

**What is your favorite part of your job?**

Cuddling with my friends [working directly with the animals]! And of course sharing my passion for the animals with others.

**What is the most challenging part of your job?**

The dedication needed to care for the animals. There are no holidays since they always need to be cared for. Also, it is hard should they ever get sick since they are like friends and family to us.