

**2022 PAWS INTERNATIONAL CAPTIVE WILDLIFE CONFERENCE**  
**“Back Together in the Fight for Captive Wildlife”**  
**NOVEMBER 11-12, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA**

# FAQs



## **When does registration for the conference open?**

Registration is open now. Click [here](#) to view the registration page and important information. Due to limited seating, we strongly recommend that you register soon.

## **Where is the conference taking place?**

PBS-KVIE's Ose Community Room at 2030 W. El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95833. There is complimentary parking on site.

## **What time does the conference start?**

Check-in starts at 8:15 a.m. on Friday, November 11. The conference begins at 9:00 a.m. each day. See the registration page for conference program and list of speakers.

## **Can I register for just one day of the conference?**

We are offering only full, two-day conference registration due to very limited seating. Registration includes plant-based lunches and two refreshment breaks each day.

## **Can I register on the day of the conference?**

You must register in advance.

## **When does registration close?**

Registration will close on October 15th or once conference seats have been filled.

## **Will the conference be live-streamed?**

No. This is an in-person only conference.

## **Do you offer a student discount?**

Yes. Student ID is required.

## **What is the suggested minimum age for those attending the conference?**

The conference is most suitable for those 15 years (high school age) and older.

## **Is the ice breaker reception or the ARK 2000 sanctuary visit included in the conference registration fee?**

No. You must separately select these special events when registering.

## **What hotels are near the conference site?**

See the [registration page](#) for information on hotels. Please do not book your room until after you have registered for the conference.

## **What is the closest airport?**

Sacramento International Airport (SMF). The airport is about 10 miles from the main conference hotels.

## **Is transportation provided from hotels to the conference site?**

No. The conference site is one mile from the main conference hotels. We encourage attendees to split a ride share service. All major car rental companies operate at the Sacramento International Airport.

### **What is the schedule for the sanctuary visit on Sunday, November 13?**

Shuttles will depart from the Hilton Garden Inn Sacramento/South Natomas at 9:00 a.m. and return to the hotel at approximately 3:00 p.m. If you are planning to fly out that day, please leave additional time in case of unexpected delays.

### **Do I need to bring my own lunch for the sanctuary visit?**

The sanctuary visit fee includes a plant-based box lunch that will be distributed prior to boarding the shuttles for return to the hotel (about 1 p.m.). You are welcome to bring your own snacks and water for consumption on the shuttle.

### **Can I drive my own car to the sanctuary?**

No. Everyone who has registered for the sanctuary visit must ride on provided shuttle transportation.

### **What is the conference cancellation policy?**

More than 30 days before the event, you may cancel your registration and receive a full refund. Registrations cancelled less than 30 days before the event are not refundable. Registrations are transferable to another person.

*If a situation arises that is out of PAWS' control and the conference must be canceled, all registrants will receive a full refund. PAWS will not be liable for conference participants' travel and hotel-related expenses.*

### **What are your COVID-19 safety protocols?**

The health and safety of our participants is a priority. **All conference attendees must provide proof of full vaccination prior to entering the conference venue. Attendees will be required to wear a suitable mask when indoors and on shuttles**, except when eating or drinking. (Bandanas, scarves, and plastic shields are not acceptable.) Failure to comply may result in removal from the conference. Hand sanitizer and additional masks will be available at the conference site. Surfaces will be routinely disinfected. Snacks and lunches will be offered outdoors, weather permitting.

**Please read the [COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols](#) prior to registering for the conference.**

*Please note that safety protocols may change between the date of your registration and the conference. We will inform registrants of any changes.*

### **What should I do if I don't feel well before or during the conference?**

Prior to the conference, if you experience COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, difficulty breathing, or loss of taste or smell), have tested positive for COVID-19, are waiting for test results, or have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive or who has symptoms of COVID-19, please stay home. Contact PAWS as soon as possible regarding your registration.

Should you feel ill or experience COVID-19 symptoms during the event, please remain in your hotel room and immediately inform PAWS Director of Programs Kim Gardner at [kimkleingardner@yahoo.com](mailto:kimkleingardner@yahoo.com). Follow the [CDC guidelines](#) on what to do should you get sick.

### **Who do I contact with additional questions?**

Please contact Kim Gardner at [kimkleingardner@yahoo.com](mailto:kimkleingardner@yahoo.com) for general conference questions and logistics. Contact Catherine Doyle at [cdoyle@pawsweb.org](mailto:cdoyle@pawsweb.org) for questions regarding conference program and speakers.