

20th International Zoo and Aquarium Educators' (IZE) Conference: Call for Abstracts

The 20th International Zoo Educators' (IZE) Biennial Conference's theme will be "Connecting Children to Nature." We are accepting 15-minute presentations, posters, workshops, and panel discussions, on topics relating to the theme or that are relevant to conference participants in topics such as zoo/aquarium programs, in-situ education work, and evaluations.

- Paper presentations will be scheduled at 20-minute intervals. Each presentation should be no more than 15 minutes in length, allowing several minutes for questions and discussion.
- A poster session will be scheduled, allowing participants time to view and discuss the posters. Authors are expected to staff their poster during the scheduled time.
- Workshops should involve audience participation and/or discussion. Each workshop could last approximately 90 minutes. When preparing your materials, please expect a maximum of 45 participants.
- A panel discussion should include a facilitator who is responsible for identifying the topic and recruiting other panel participants (usually 3 additional participants) in the field to participate in the discussion. The facilitator will also take lead in planning and facilitating the panel at the conference. Each panel discussion will be allotted 1 hour. Each participant will have approximately 10 minutes to present their viewpoint with approximately 20 minutes at the end of the discussion for questions and answers.
In addition to your abstract, please submit a list of panel participants and how they relate to the topic at hand.

Abstracts for papers, posters, workshops, and panels must be submitted by July 1, 2010.

Conference Registration

To present at the conference, you must be a registered participant. To register for the conference, please visit the IZE Conference Registration website:
<http://www.disneyurl.com/IZE>.

General Guidelines for preparing abstracts:

- 1) Abstracts must be submitted via email to wdw.ize@disney.com. When submitting please be sure to indicate if you want to present a paper, poster, workshop, or panel discussion.
- 2) Abstracts are currently being accepted. The deadline to submit abstracts is **July 1**. All abstracts will be reviewed by the Program Committee.

- 3) Authors will be notified of the status of their abstract by July 26.
- 4) Abstracts must be submitted in English.
- 5) Authors should use 12 point Times New Roman font.
- 6) Title should be in bold type.
- 7) Authors should be listed by surname, followed by first name and his/her institution.
- 8) Abstracts should be single spaced. The maximum word count is **200 words** for the body of the abstract, i.e., excluding title and author information. Check your word count before submitting your abstract.

For more information on presenting, please read the ["Instructions for Presenters."](#)