

LATIN AMERICA

# Welcoming Our Neighbors from the South



The animal collection philosophy at Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo supports having species native to Florida as well as species from climates similar to our own – mainly Africa, Asia, and Australia to date. South of the United States lie Central and South America and the Caribbean which span the greatest latitudinal range of any region in the world. This area is home to a tremendous diversity of wildlife and ecosystems. Representing species from here will broaden the horizons of the Zoo's exemplary animal collection and wild places it showcases.



## LOWRY PARK ZOO NEW HORIZONS



Some of the most magnificent creatures in the world are found in Central and South America and the Caribbean, many of which are becoming increasingly rare in their native lands. The Zoo's future collection plans include the addition of: giant anteaters, giant river otters, jaguars, macaws and others.

### Extraordinary animals with cultural relevance

When people visit zoos like ours it can prompt them to conservation action and allow guests to see themselves as part of the solution. The animal collection philosophy also supports being relevant to all guests. The addition of animals from Latin America is an effective way to make connections to a growing Hispanic community while maintaining importance and relevance to all.

