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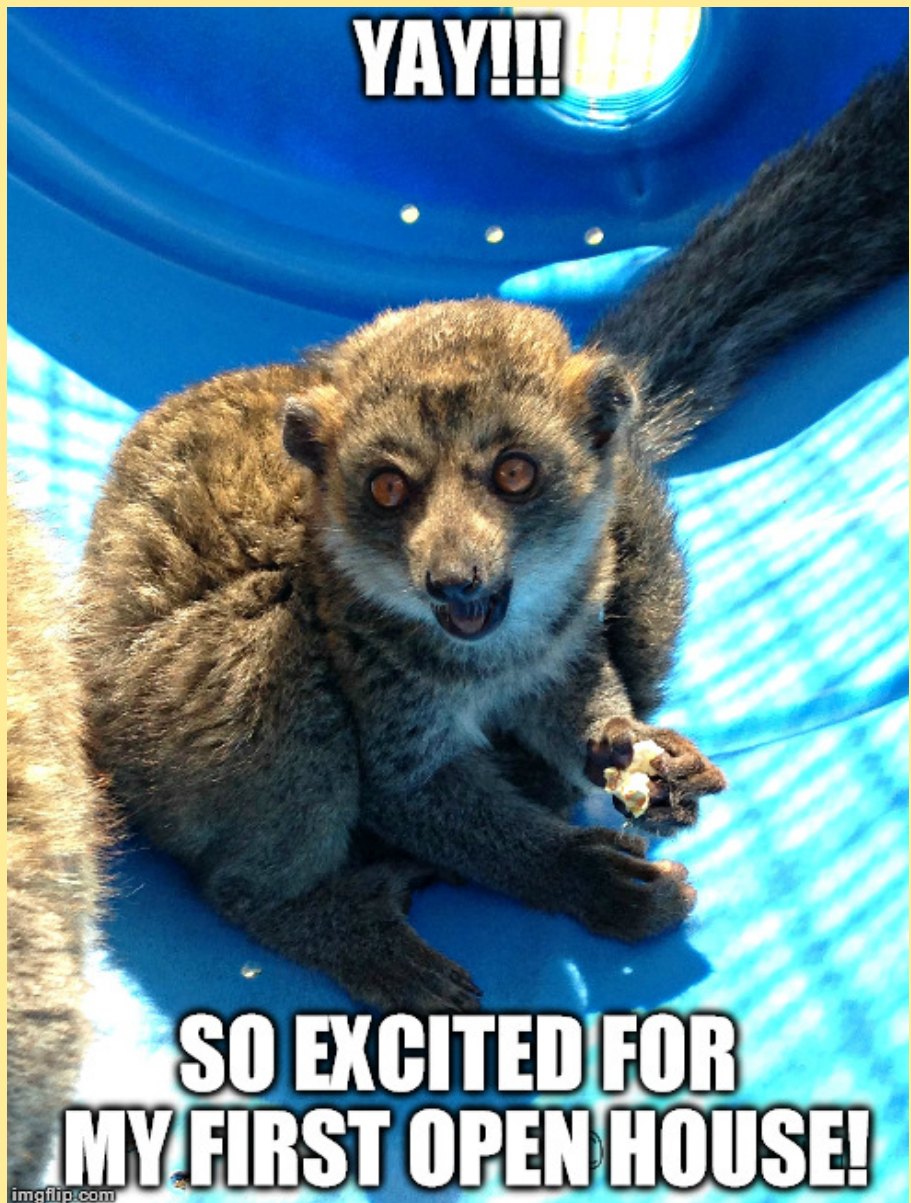
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LCF's OPEN HOUSE IS 8 NOVEMBER!



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Lemur Conservation Foundation (LCF) welcomes the public to visit the unique facility for the Open House conservation day. This annual event provides an opportunity to learn about lemurs, the most endangered primate species in the world, see first-hand how managed breeding and other efforts safeguard species from extinction.

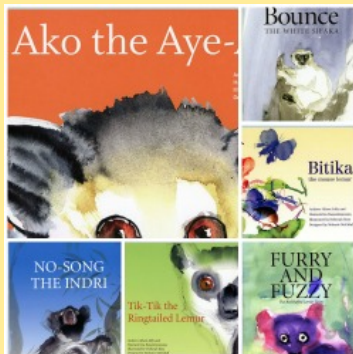
LCF occupies over 100 acres of 'old Florida' habitats near Myakka City. The facility holds six and breeds four species of lemurs, five of which are endangered or critically endangered according to the IUCN Red List, and face a great chance of extinction in Madagascar, their only native home, without concerted action by the conservation community and even consumers.

Illegal logging of exotic timber like the rosewood tree for furniture and musical instruments contribute to the unprecedented population decline of wild lemurs, along with poaching for the exotic pet trade, and slash and burn agricultural practices. Scientists have estimated that, without our intervention, all 90 of the 101 known species of lemurs face extinction. Lemurs, the iconic ambassadors of Madagascar, are emblematic of a conservation and environmental crisis. Scientists estimate that fifty percent of all known species of life on earth will face extinction over the next 100 years if we do not act.



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The Open House Conservation Day is a family friendly event, and is free to attend. Visitors will meet Lemur Conservation Foundation's animal care team and learn about lemurs. For example, they live in family groups, and are prosimians, the oldest primates. There will also be lemur themed fun and games for lemur lovers of all ages. LCF is an Association of Zoos and Aquariums related facility, but is not open to visitors on a regular basis. Contact with the semi-free ranging colony is limited for scientific and health reasons. On this special day LCF welcomes interested citizen conservationists to experience its special mission.



[Click here to learn more about the Ako Project](#)



Paintings by Silvio, and our other resident lemur artists, completed during an enrichment activity, will be available for purchase at our Open House. Most enrichment here at LCF is used to stimulate the lemurs and to mimic situations they might encounter in the wild. This enrichment activity was purely for fun! Using Crayola non-toxic fingerpaint, our keepers worked with year-old mongoose lemur Silvio and other lemurs to create these beautiful paintings.

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YOUR SYMBOLIC ADOPTION WILL HELP OUR LEMURS

Lemurs are the most endangered primate species in the world. Our colony, and your support, helps ensure a genetic safety net for their survival, increases conservation literacy, and empathy for struggling animals and communities.

You can help with a symbolic adoption of a lemur or a lemur group at LCF. Your symbolic adoption of a lemur at LCF helps us provide care for our lemurs -

everything from enrichment items like 'sunny seats' and craisins™, to special diet supplements and veterinary care.

When you symbolically adopt a lemur or a lemur group, you can choose the lemur species you would like to feature on your adoption certificate, and tell us the name to enter. We will send you a special lemur adoption kit to thank you for your support.

[CLICK HERE TO "ADOPT A LEMUR" AND SUPPORT OUR COLONY](#)



Sandford's lemur / *Lemur sandfordi*

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CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION
Thank you

for supporting the care, education, research, and field conservation efforts for the Sandford's lemur.



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ring-tailed lemur / *Lemur catta*

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for supporting the care, education, research, and field conservation efforts for the ring-tailed lemur.



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red ruffed lemur / *Lemur fulvus*

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Lemurs Adoption Levels

- \$50 - Basic Lemur Adoption Kit:** Certificate of adoption, an LCF annual membership card, a lemur power bracelet in your choice of color, and information about the species of lemur you chose for your symbolic adoption. Your gift supports our lemur colony and managed breeding program.
 
- \$100 - + plush lemur key chain made in Madagascar,** supporting local, sustainable businesses.
 
- \$250 - all below + a roomy tote bag designed by artist Kathy Ruttenberg.** The design features Christina, a mongoose lemur at LCF.
 
- \$500 - all below + An LCF monogrammed waterbottle for your outdoor adventures.**

- \$1000 - all below + 'Zebu Nation', a CD by Razia Said,** a talented musician from Madagascar (and LCF board member!) whose music brings an inspiring message about Madagascar and its biodiversity treasures.
 
- \$5000 Adopt a Family Group of lemurs, and your gift will provide annual care for a family of lemurs for one year.** We will thank you with all of the gifts below + a set of organic cinnamon & vanilla from Madagascar, and a chocolate bar from Endangered Species Chocolate featuring ring-tailed lemurs and LCF!
 



mongoose lemur / *lemur mongoze*

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common brown lemur / *lemur fulvus*

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collared lemur / *lemur collaris*

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**See How the 2014
Infants Have Grown!**



ring-tailed lemur / *lemur catta*

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Thank you

for supporting the care, education, research, and field conservation efforts for the ring-tailed lemur.

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WELCOME OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS!

Anne Essner has lived in Sarasota since 2008. She is a board member of the Lemur Conservation Foundation and the Lido Shores Property Owners Association, where she serves as President. Anne is also an active volunteer for Mote Marine Laboratory and the Sarasota Orchestra. Sculling and tennis occupy much of her free time.

Prior to moving to Sarasota, Anne lived in the Philadelphia suburbs and the Metro New York region. While living in Villanova, Pennsylvania, Anne served on The Women's Board of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, where she chaired its fine arts fair, USArtists. Anne also served as a Trustee for The Gladwyne Montessori School. After her family's move to Morristown, New Jersey, Anne worked with several organizations, including Newark Academy; Deirdre's House, a center for abused and neglected children; and she served as Chair of The Great Swamp Watershed Association, which protects and improves regional water resources.

Anne is a graduate of Skidmore College and received her MBA from Columbia University. She has worked in publishing and the pharmaceutical industry. She and her husband, Bob, divide their time between Sarasota and New York City. They have children and grandchildren in New York and Boston.



John A. Freeman is a Financial Advisor at Raymond James, a national financial services firm serving individuals and businesses in Sarasota-Bradenton, Florida. Prior to his current position, he was with Morgan Stanley Smith Barney and has held various positions with IBM and Archer Daniels Midland Company while often working overseas in South America and Asia-Pacific. He currently resides in Lakewood Ranch, Florida, where he met his wife, Dr. Jennifer L. Swanson MD, a local Ob/Gyn. They have two young children in Pre-School.

John received his bachelors at Wake Forest University and masters at Louisiana State University and is completing his Doctorate in Environmental Science at the University of South Florida (USF). He is an Adjunct Professor in Environmental Science & Policy, and is responsible for teaching Environmental Science, Ethics, Law, and Policy courses at the USF Sarasota-Manatee campus.



John is active in local and international leadership and community service initiatives. He is a past Board member for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Association and VP of Business Development for the Sarasota Sister Cities Association. John is a 2006 graduate of the Leadership Sarasota County program and a recent 2014 graduate of the Manatee County Leadership program. He currently serves as Treasurer of the Crowley Museum and Nature Center and participates on the ShelterBox USA Finance Committee. John is a ShelterBox Response Team member, having responded to flooding disasters in Niger, Africa and flooding and landslides in Peru, South America. When not working and volunteering, he enjoys international travel, reading, fly-fishing, boating, and playing tennis.



Elizabeth Moore is an active supporter of scientific, natural history, and educational institutions. She is married to Stuart Moore, and the mother of 5 children. Elizabeth and her husband live in Bradenton, Florida.

Elizabeth earned an M.A. International Affairs from American University, 1986, and a B.A. Economics & French Literature from Denison University, 1983.

She serves on several boards, including St. Stephen's Episcopal School in Bradenton, Florida, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Manatee County, the South Florida Museum in Bradenton, the Museum of Science in Boston, the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, Massachusetts, and the Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman, Montana.

Elizabeth's interests include tennis, gardening, skiing, scuba diving, ballroom dancing, amateur paleontology, conservation, and reading books on evolution and anthropology.



Singer and songwriter **Razia Said's** nomadic life has taken her across Africa to France, Italy, Ibiza, Bali and New York City, but despite these wanderings her heart and soul remains inexorably tethered to Madagascar, the land of her birth.

Her musical explorations have also been wide ranging, and over the years Razia has experimented with French chanson, rock, jazz and even smooth Sade style R&B. But it took reaching back to her cultural roots for Razia to uncover her true



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artistic calling as one of African music's most promising talents and in February 2007 Razia returned to Madagascar to reconnect with the land she left as an eleven year-old child.


For six weeks Razia and her band travelled around the island, and discovered along the way the environmental damage taking place as the result of unfettered slash and burn agriculture, illegal logging and climate change. Zebu Nation released on Cumbancha Discovery in February 2010, was the outcome of this journey and Razia's longing to protect and preserve the environmental and cultural heritage of her homeland permeates the songs on the album, giving it a powerful, real-world significance.

Razia is preparing for the release of her next album Akory which will be available this fall in Europe and February 2015 in the USA.

For more information: www.raziasaid.com



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