

Special Exhibition: Advance tickets required Becoming Jane: The Evolution of Dr. Jane Goodall November 7, 2021 – April 17, 2022

Meet a real life ethologist, Dr. Jane Goodall. Explore the <u>Becoming Jane</u> exhibit to learn how Jane used her curiosity and observation skills to make important discoveries, tell her story and captivate the world.

Jane lived and worked at the Gombe Preserve in Tanzania to observe and research chimpanzees in their habitat.

If you were a researcher, like Jane, observing this troop of chimpanzees in Tanzania, what might you hear, smell, or feel?

"The least I can do is speak out for those who cannot speak for themselves." - Jane Goodall

Looking back at the observations you made in your journal today, think about a message you'd like to share about your experience. Write or draw your message:



## **The Power of Observations** My Field Journal





# Today we will put on our nature eyes and explore the museum like an ethologist...

Ethologists are a type of scientist who studies

- Animal behavior
- Interactions between animals
- Interactions between animals and their environment

The work that these scientists do helps us better understand animals, their environment and even ourselves.

#### Practice your observation skills!

Visit <u>Bugtopia</u> (located in the <u>Discovery Center</u> on Level 2) and choose an insect to observe. Spend 30 seconds closely observing the animal, then sketch it below, adding as many details as you can!



understand ourselves as humans.

#### Make some comparisons!

Visit the <u>Age of Mammals Hall</u> (Level 1) and head to the back right corner, to learn more about our connection to other animals like primates or apes.

What features do humans share with apes?

What features separate us (or make us different) from apes?

Not only do ethologists record what an animal looks like, they also note how animals socialize or communicate with one another.

### Conduct your own animal behavior study!

Visit the <u>Nature Lab</u> (Level G) and pick one rat to be your study animal. Spend some time observing them - make up a name for them and record any behavior you observe, noting how they interact with other rats.

Head to the back of the Nature Lab to explore nature observations made by people in your community!

Is there any animal you are surprised to find lives in Los Angeles?

Have you seen any of the animals featured in the exhibit in your neighborhood? Which one(s)?