



Joint News Release
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**Alaska SeaLife Center, Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, and
Alaska Raptor Center to be featured on “Alaska Animal Rescue”
Nat Geo WILD’s New Series Showcases Alaska’s Wildlife Response Programs**



Seward, Alaska (March, XX 2020) – Nat Geo WILD has announced that the Alaska SeaLife Center (ASLC), the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center (AWCC) and the Alaska Raptor Center (ARC) will be highlighted in a new series, “Alaska Animal Rescue” produced by Symbio Studios.

From Nat Geo WILD: *“This groundbreaking series follows wildlife heroes from these three renowned conservation centers as they respond to animals in need. Whether caring for a stranded sea lion, an orphaned lynx or an injured eagle, these are the people on the front lines, willing to do whatever it takes to rescue and preserve Alaska’s wildlife. The Alaska SeaLife*

Center in Seward monitors the state's 6,640 miles of coastline, helping a diverse range of marine life, including walruses, whales, otters and octopuses. Alaska Raptor Center in Sitka specializes in the state's airborne animals, like bald eagles, owls and other birds of prey. And the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center in Portage takes on the biggest and most iconic land animals, including bears, wolves and bison. These dedicated first responders, veterinarians and animal caretakers, work hands on — day in and day out — through dangerous terrain and unforgiving climates to rescue and rehabilitate these animals to make sure this wild state stays wild."

"The Alaska SeaLife Center responds to injured and orphaned marine mammal and seabirds as part of our mission to promote understanding and stewardship of Alaska's marine ecosystems. We appreciate this platform to share our work and inspire others to care for our oceans and its animals," said Tara Riemer, Alaska SeaLife Center President and CEO.

"The Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center is incredibly honored to be a part of National Geographic's Alaska Animal Rescue. All of our animals have a story and we are grateful to be able to share some of them. We hope that everyone will enjoy the show and get to know and love our resident wildlife the way we do," said Di Whitney, Executive Director, Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center.

Jennifer Cross, Executive Director, Alaska Raptor Center stated, "We are proud to be involved in such a meaningful project along with two other amazing non-profit organizations, each having passionate and dedicated people working tirelessly in the name of animal welfare."

**"Alaska Animal Rescue" premieres April 11 at 9/8c (5pm Alaska time) on Nat Geo WILD.
Watch a ten-minute preview now on the National Geographic website:
<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/tv/shows/alaska-animal-rescue>**

About the ASLC

Opened in 1998, the Alaska SeaLife Center operates as a 501(c)(3), non-profit research institution and public aquarium in Seward, Alaska. The Center generates and shares scientific knowledge to promote understanding and stewardship of Alaska's marine ecosystems. The ASLC is an accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. To learn more, visit www.alaskasealife.org.

About the AWCC

Founded in 1993, the Alaska Wildlife Conservation is a sanctuary dedicated to preserving Alaska's wildlife through conservation, education, research and quality animal care. AWCC takes in injured and orphaned animals and provides them with enclosures at a 200-acre facility in Portage, Alaska. Most of the animals that arrive at AWCC become permanent residents. To learn more, visit www.alaskawildlife.org.

About the ARC

Established in 1980, the Alaska Raptor Center's mission is to promote and enhance wild populations of raptors and other avian species through rehabilitation, education, and research. ARC provides medical treatment to about 200 injured birds each year, striving to rehabilitate and release its avian patients. Some birds who are too injured to survive in the wild find sanctuary at the facility in Sitka, Alaska, providing educational opportunities to visitors. To learn more, visit www.alaskaraptor.org.