

AN INVITATION TO ATTEND AN EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT

at the

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA HALL, ROYAL OVER-SEAS LEAGUE

Over-Seas House, Park Place, St James's Street, London SW1A 1LR

on

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21st 2009

With the kind support of friends and supporters in the UK we will be hosting a fundraising evening on Saturday 21st November at the Royal Over-Seas League (www.rosl.org.uk) near Green Park in London from 7pm. The evening will include an interview with Bala Amarasekaran, the founder and director of the sanctuary, a hot buffet supper, music and entertainment.

Tacugama was founded in 1995 to support enforcement of the wildlife laws that protect chimpanzees in Sierra Leone by caring for confiscated and abandoned chimpanzees. Our visit to London comes at an important point in Tacugama's life. The sanctuary commemorates its 15th Anniversary in 2010. After the initial euphoria of opening Tacugama and making headway on rescuing captive chimpanzees, the civil war struck Freetown and left many, including the sanctuary, struggling to survive. Following the ending of the war it was not easy to put Tacugama back on its original path and marking our 10th Anniversary in 2005 was a significant milestone.

The last four years have seen Tacugama working towards its objectives to rescue, rehabilitate and protect chimpanzees in Sierra Leone. Community sensitisation and outreach along with children's education have become important pillars of our work. As we have assessed ways in which we can raise funds to support our work, we have developed our own ecotourism venture and now offer popular overnight visitor accommodation at the sanctuary.

More than ever we need to secure funding sources to enable Tacugama to enter a new phase of work and develop environmental guardianship for the future. Investigating and promoting alternative income generating activities such as ecotourism will be an important component of reducing human-wildlife conflict and securing conservation plans.

We will be in London as the result of an invitation we have received from DFID (the UK Government's Department for International Development) to take part in the Sierra Leone Investment and Donor Conference that takes place in London on 18 & 19 November 2009 (www.sierraleoneconference2009.org).

We look forward to welcoming you to the Royal Over-Seas League. Tickets cost £50 each and proceeds will go directly to supporting the sanctuary's activities in Sierra Leone. Please bring your friends and colleagues along to join us for an entertaining evening. It'll be a great opportunity to meet us and understand more about Tacugama's work and the amazing country of Sierra Leone. Thank you!

Information on how to buy your tickets is on the next page.

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HOW TO BUY YOUR TICKETS FOR OUR FUNDRAISING EVENING

Tickets should be purchased by **MONDAY 16TH NOVEMBER** to allow time for postage and catering, thank you

The International Primate Protection League (IPPL UK) are kindly selling tickets on our behalf and you can contact them as follows:

By post: Tacugama Tickets, IPPL (UK), Gilmore House, 166 Gilmore Road,
London SE13 5AE
By phone: 020 8297 2129
By email: enquiries@ippl-uk.org

Payment can be made by credit/debit card or cheque payable to: IPPL (UK)

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arrival by 7pm please, carriages at 11.30pm
dress smart casual