



**Take a Peek Inside America's Largest Indoor Waterpark**  
See Behind-the-Scenes Photos and Meet the Management of  
Kalahari Resorts and Conventions in Round Rock, Texas

**ROUND ROCK, TEXAS (Sept. 15, 2020)** — [Kalahari Resorts and Conventions](#) reveals an inside look at its newest resort in Round Rock, Texas, with behind-the-scenes photos showing construction progress updates of America's Largest Indoor Waterpark and resort, opening Nov. 12.

"We can't wait to open our doors and welcome the Texas community to the Kalahari experience this fall," said Kalahari owner Todd Nelson. "We have 1.5 million square feet of space to play and room to roam. It's been a challenging year, and what better way to get away from the worry and enjoy time having fun together as a family and community."

Kalahari Resorts also introduces Tim Arnold as resort general manager and Gerson Valasquez as assistant general manager of Kalahari Resorts and Conventions, Round Rock.

As general manager, Tim Arnold will lead day-to-day operations, provide guidance to the management team and serve as the liaison to the regional Round Rock community. Tim brings more than 20 years of hospitality experience with a successful career in luxury resorts and regional multiunit, cutting-edge restaurant and residential properties. Notably, he has held executive leadership roles at Waldorf Astoria, Canyon Ranch, Margaritaville Hollywood Beach Resort, and Interstate Hotels and Resorts.

In his role as assistant general manager, Gerson Valasquez leverages 20 years of experience leading high-volume catering and banquet divisions, managing operations of fine-dining restaurants, and supporting the management of rooms, food and beverage and maintenance departments at properties in Houston, Texas, and Atlanta, Georgia.

"Tim and Gerson both bring a strong history of successfully building and leading teams, and we're confident that they'll help us bring Kalahari's beyond-expectations guest experience to Texas," said Nelson.

Kalahari continues to seek additional talent to join its growing team, estimating hiring 700 employees in 2020 to fill open positions, including lifeguards, managerial staff, culinary staff and information technology work. For more information, visit <https://www.kalahariresorts.com/kalahari-careers/>.

Kalahari Resorts and Conventions will open America's Largest Indoor Waterpark in Round Rock, Texas, on Nov. 12, 2020. Located just 20 miles from Austin, the unique all-under-one-roof experience offers state-of-the-art meeting and convention space, delicious dining options, award-winning indoor/outdoor attractions, retail shopping, and Spa Kalahari and Salon. This is the fourth Kalahari Resort, with existing properties in Wisconsin, Ohio and Pennsylvania. For more information about Kalahari Resorts and Conventions, visit [www.KalahariResorts.com/Texas](http://www.KalahariResorts.com/Texas)

**About Kalahari Resorts and Conventions**

Kalahari Resorts and Conventions in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, Sandusky, Ohio, the Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania, and opening soon in Round Rock, Texas, deliver a beyond-expectations waterpark resort and conference experience all under one roof. The authentically African-themed Kalahari Resorts, privately owned by the Nelson family, are home to America's largest indoor waterparks. All Kalahari Resorts feature well-appointed guest rooms, full-service Spa Kalahari, a fun-filled family entertainment center, on-site signature restaurants, unique retail shops and a state-of-the-art convention center. Kalahari Resorts and Conventions

frequently receives awards and accolades for its guest and convention services. Recognition includes: Condé Nast Traveler's #1 World's Coolest Indoor Waterparks, Sensory Friendly Certified in 2020 (Ohio), Best Family-Friendly Meeting Hotel and Resort in Smart Meeting's 2020 Smart Stars Awards, Parents' Magazine 2019 Kids' Travel Award Winner and TripAdvisor's 2018 and 2017 Travelers' Choice Awards. For reservation and guest information, call 1-877-KALAHARI (525-2427) or visit [KalahariResorts.com](http://KalahariResorts.com). To learn more about Kalahari Resorts, members of the media are encouraged to visit [KalahariMedia.com](http://KalahariMedia.com).

**Contact:**

Jacobson Rost

[prteam@jacobsonrost.com](mailto:prteam@jacobsonrost.com)

**Assets**

- Kalahari Round Rock Fact Sheet  
[http://kalaharimedia.com/release/round\\_rock\\_video\\_tour/downloads/Kalahari\\_Fact\\_Sheet\\_Round\\_Rock\\_TX.pdf](http://kalaharimedia.com/release/round_rock_video_tour/downloads/Kalahari_Fact_Sheet_Round_Rock_TX.pdf)
- Kalahari Leadership Biographies  
[http://kalaharimedia.com/release/round\\_rock\\_video\\_tour/downloads/Kalahari\\_Leadership\\_Bio\\_Round\\_Rock\\_TX.pdf](http://kalaharimedia.com/release/round_rock_video_tour/downloads/Kalahari_Leadership_Bio_Round_Rock_TX.pdf)
- Image Gallery: Construction Images and Management Headshots  
[http://kalaharimedia.com/release/round\\_rock\\_video\\_tour/pages/gallery.html](http://kalaharimedia.com/release/round_rock_video_tour/pages/gallery.html)
- Image Gallery: Design Renderings  
<http://kalaharimedia.com/gallery-category/round-rock-images/#view>