

## Woodland Park Zoo hosts second annual Youth Climate Action Summit

*Event invites Seattle-area teens to take action for climate change*



**WHAT:** Woodland Park Zoo and the Seattle Youth Climate Action Network (CAN) will host the second annual Youth Climate Action Summit on Sunday, October 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Seattle-area teens are invited to attend the full-day event which centers around taking action to combat climate change. Summit attendees will participate alongside local climate professionals in interactive workshops focused on the impacts of climate change and taking climate action. Hands-on art and action elements will also be featured throughout the day, as well as breakfast, lunch and snacks.

**WHO:** Teens from the Seattle area who are involved in Seattle Youth CAN as well as the partnering organizations: Woodland Park Zoo, Pacific Science Center and Seattle Aquarium. All teens living in the greater Seattle area are encouraged to attend the summit.

**WHERE:** Woodland Park Zoo's Education Center, located inside the zoo near the South Entrance at N. 50<sup>th</sup> St. & Fremont Ave. N.

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Summit events include:

- Workshops on climate science, innovative solutions, and ways to take action
- Zoo tours focused on sustainability and green careers
- Lunchtime climate action fair with local groups
- Group action art activity

**INFO:** The second annual Youth Climate Action Summit is free and open to any interested teens living in the greater Seattle area. Use this [link](#) to register for the summit.

Seattle Youth CAN empowers teens to address climate change in their communities through education, leadership and action. Seattle Youth CAN was launched in January 2015 with initial funding from [The Ocean Project](#), and represents a new partnership between teen programs at [Woodland Park Zoo](#), [Seattle Aquarium](#) and [Pacific Science Center](#).

In 2015, more than 150 teens participated in monthly events, trainings, action campaigns and the first Youth Climate Action Summit. In the past year, Seattle Youth CAN teens have attended reputable events including the [Adirondack Youth Climate Summit](#) and the [Climate Leadership Conference](#).

This past summer, Seattle Youth CAN held its second annual Summer Transportation Challenge, which aims to raise awareness about the connection between CO2 emissions from vehicles and climate change by encouraging participants to make more sustainable transportation choices.

To learn more about Seattle Youth CAN and its upcoming events, visit [seattleyouthcan.org](http://seattleyouthcan.org) and view their featured video projects on [Climate.gov](http://Climate.gov) and [Seattle Channel](#).

Accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums, award-winning Woodland Park Zoo is famed for pioneering naturalistic exhibits and setting international standards for zoos in animal care, conservation and education programs. Woodland Park Zoo is helping to save animals and their habitats in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. By inspiring people to care and act, Woodland Park Zoo is making a difference in our planet's future. For more information, visit [www.zoo.org](http://www.zoo.org).

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