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## Lots of joy, wreaths and trees for the animals Winter Celebration at Woodland Park Zoo is Dec. 16–18, 21–23

WHAT:

Woodland Park Zoo will deck the zoo with fish- or fruit-trimmed wreaths, evergreen trees with ornamental fruit, or gift wrapped boxes containing favorite treats for snow leopards, otters, penguins, tortoises, and more at Winter Celebration, December 16-18 and 21-23.

Winter Celebration is part of the zoo's excellent animal care program to help enrich the lives of the zoo's animals. The safe activities help encourage natural animal behavior, keep animals mentally and physically stimulated and engage zoo visitors.

WHEN:

Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Dec. 16-18, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 21-23, times vary

Saturday, Dec. 16

Lions 10:00 Asian small-clawed otters 11:30 Golden lion tamarins 1:30

Penguins 2:00

Ambassador animals at Alvord **Broadleaf Theater 2:00** 

Wolves 2:30

Sunday, Dec. 17 Tigers 10:00 Orangutans 10:30

Anoa noon

Kunekune pigs 1:30 Jaguar 2:00

Penguins 2:00

Ambassador animals at Alvord

Broadleaf Theater 2:00

Monday, Dec. 18

Warthogs 10:00 Maned wolves 11:00 Egyptian tortoises 11:30

Meerkats 1:00 Wallaroos 1:30 Sloth bears 2:00 Hippos 2:00

Ambassador animals at Alvord **Broadleaf Theater 2:00** 

Thursday, Dec. 21

Maned wolves 11:00 Grizzlies noon Warthogs 1:30 Penguins 2:00

Ambassador animals at Alvord Broadleaf Theater 2:00

Friday, Dec. 22

Snow leopards 11:00

Gorillas noon

Golden lion tamarins 1:30

Penguins 2:00

Ambassador animals at Alvord

Broadleaf Theater 2:00

Saturday, Dec. 23

Warthogs 10:00

Asian small-clawed otters 11:30

Komodo dragon 11:30 River otters noon

Anoa noon

Kunekune pigs 1:30 Sloth bears 2:00

Hippos 2:00

Ambassador animals at Alvord Broadleaf Theater 2:00

WHERE: Enter Woodland Park Zoo through the West Entrance at Phinney Ave. N.

between N. 55th & N. 56th Sts. or South Entrance at N. 50th St. & Fremont

Ave. N.



COST:

Winter Celebration is free with zoo admission: Adult (13-64) \$14.95; Child (3-12) \$9.95; Toddler (0-2) Free. Active, retired, and veteran U.S. military and their families, seniors and people with physical disabilities receive an admission discount. Parking: \$6. Zoo members receive free zoo admission year round.

INFO:

Zoo fall/winter hours: 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. daily. For more information and how to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call 206.548.2500.

Don't miss Woodland Park Zoo's sixth annual **WildLights presented by Sound Credit Union**, which runs through Monday, January 1, 2018. For information and to purchase tickets to the dazzling, after-hours event, visit zoo.org/wildlights.

Free Wi-Fi: Wi-Fi is available for zoo guests, made possible through products donated by Cisco.

Mobile app: Download the free Woodland Park Zoo mobile app for iPhone, iPad or Android from your app store. Use it to track your location on zoo grounds with GPS, discover daily zoo activities, take a mobile tour, and share the highlights of your visit with friends.

Quarters for Conservation: A portion of your zoo admission and membership is dedicated to funding conservation programs in the wild. Cast your vote for your favorite conservation project at the Quarters for Conservation kiosks located at each entrance.

Gifts/food: Visit the ZooStores for extraordinary gifts and zoo souvenirs. Stop by the Rain Forest Food Pavilion or other concessionaire locations to quench your thirst or appetite. Open daily during regular zoo hours.

Woodland Park Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums and certified by the rigorous American Humane Conservation program. The Humane Certified™ seal of approval is another important validation of the zoo's long-standing tradition of meeting the highest standards in animal welfare. Woodland Park Zoo is helping to save animals and their habitats through more than 35 field projects in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. By inspiring people to learn, care, and act, Woodland Park Zoo is making a difference in our planet's future ecological health and sustainability. Visit <a href="www.zoo.org">www.zoo.org</a> and follow the zoo on <a href="mailto:Facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a> and <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a>.

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