

CALENDAR ADVISORY

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Summer happenings and programs at Woodland Park Zoo

Seasonal hours and admission fees

Summer programming and seasonal hours begin Tuesday, May 1. Stop by the zoo and be one of the first to enjoy the zoo's summer offerings!

Summer hours May 1 through September 30: 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily. Admission fees April 1 through September 30: Adult (13–64) \$20.95; Child (3–12) \$12.95; Free for children 2 and under year round. Active, retired, and veteran U.S. military and their families, seniors, and people with disabilities are eligible to receive a discount and zoo members receive free zoo admission year round.

Special exhibitions and Evening Zoo

NEW! Assam Rhino Reserve: opens May 5

Woodland Park Zoo's special exhibition, Assam Rhino Reserve, will showcase greater one-horned rhinoceros, Asian brown tortoises and demoiselle cranes. Meet the star attractions: rhinos Taj and Glenn. The special exhibition marks the first time rhinos will be at the 92-acre conservation institution in its 118-year history. Rhinos are iconic symbols of the wildlife trafficking crisis. The exhibit will highlight the amazing adaptations of these three species and bring to life the impact of poaching, the illegal wildlife trade and the turtle extinction crisis. Follow #RhinoLookout for information on how to support rhino care at the zoo and fund efforts to protect and defend rhino habitat from poachers. Stay tuned for exciting updates on the zoo's web at www.zoo.org and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/woodlandparkzoo).

NEW! National Geographic Photo Ark Exhibition: National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore, April 20–October 7

The National Geographic Photo Ark exhibition at Woodland Park Zoo highlights 56 of the most compelling images from National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore's collection that includes more than 7,500 species. The exhibition provides guests with the extraordinary opportunity to come face to face with animals from the National Geographic Photo Ark. The 8' tall x 6' wide portraits are displayed across the zoo's 92 botanical acres. A diversity of mammal, reptile, and bird species are represented including animals currently living at the zoo such as Matschie's tree kangaroo, Western pond turtle, Sumatran orangutan, snow leopard, pharaoh eagle-owl and greater one-horned rhino.

NEW! Evening Zoo, begins June 21

Experience Woodland Park Zoo after hours until 9:00 p.m. at the new Evening Zoo held six nights in the summer: June 21 and 28, July 5, 19 and 26, and August 1. Take a stroll throughout the zoo's rich botanical grounds and enjoy magical encounters with animals, ambassador animal presentations, animal keeper talks, storytelling, and discovery stations with cool biofacts and nature-inspired activities. An assortment of food and beverages will be available for purchase. Make it a date night or a special evening for the family! Evening Zoo costs regular zoo admission or is free for zoo members.

Seasonal Molbak's Butterfly Garden and Microsoft Pollinator Patio, opens May 25, 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily

Take a walk among a variety of North American butterfly species in the zoo's immersive Molbak's Butterfly Garden. An arching tent structure encloses a landscape of approximately 3,000 square feet, and nearly 500 free-flying butterflies represent at least 15 species native to North America. The seasonal garden emphasizes both the fragility and resilience of nature through the display of what many consider to be among the most beautiful of natural expressions: butterflies and flowers. Guests will learn about the butterfly's life cycle while watching new butterflies emerge from their chrysalises before flying free in the garden. Behind the Garden is the Microsoft Pollinator Patio where guests can enjoy a beautiful stroll



among pollinator-friendly plants while learning how to help pollinators in their own backyard. The patio, open year-round, is full of ideas and actions guests can take on behalf of native pollinators such as hummingbirds, beetles, bees and flies. Free with zoo admission.

Summer experience 2018 programs

Programs are offered May 1 through September 30, 2018, and are free with zoo admission, except as noted. Locations of programs are posted at the zoo's South Entrance (N. 50th St. & Fremont Ave. N.) and West Entrance (Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55th & N. 56th Sts.), and found at www.zoo.org. *All programs are subject to cancellation due to weather or animal needs.*

Keeper Talks: 10:45 a.m.–3:00 p.m. daily, times vary

Animal keepers provide exceptional care to all of the animals at the zoo, making sure they have everything they need to be healthy and happy. They also help save animals in the wild. Which animal keepers can you meet? See the kiosks for daily times and locations.

Assam Rhino Reserve

Rhino Keeper Talks: 11:00 a.m. daily except Thursdays

What do Taj and Glenn, the zoo's new greater one-horned rhinos, like to eat? How are they helping to save rhinos in the wild? Meet a keeper at the pool and find out, and learn how you can help them!

Rhino Encounter: 1:30–2:30 p.m. daily except Mondays

Meet the zoo's new rhinos Glenn and Taj up close in Assam Rhino Reserve, hear from rhino keepers about how they care for one of the zoo's largest residents and learn how you can help save rhinos in the wild. Photography encouraged. Cost: \$10 per person, cash or card; children 5 and under are free with paying adult.

Ambassador Animals

Earn Your Wings at Wildlife Theater: 11:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m. daily except Wednesdays

A newcomer wants to join the raptor flight program. The problem? She doesn't fly! Visit the Wildlife Theater for the Earn Your Wings program. Watch birds such as hawks, owls, and vultures fly closely over your head as you learn about their natural history and conservation status. And what about our newcomer? Watch as she runs right by you—will she earn her wings?

Banyan Wilds

Enter the tropical forests of Asia and visit the land of sloth bears and Malayan tigers. Watch keepers engage these rare animals and offer enrichment items such as toys or treats.

Tiger Gate Experience: 11:00 a.m. daily except Tuesdays

How do keepers safely work with big, powerful animals? How do you get tigers to move over? Check their teeth and belly? Training is fun for animals and keepers alike and keeps them both safe and healthy—come and see how it works!

Sloth Bear Snack: 1:30 p.m. daily except Fridays

Sloth bears love to eat insects, and they have a unique way of catching them—they suck the bugs out of their nest! How strong is that suction? Come and find out!

Zoomazium

Zoomazium: 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily

Kids 8 and under and their caregivers love Zoomazium! The indoor, nature play space offers adventure and learning in a fun, safe and stimulating environment all year long. Here, kids

can connect with animals and habitats through the natural language of childhood—play! Crawl through a hidden cave. Climb a giant strangler fig tree. Enjoy daily programs for toddlers and older children. Free with zoo admission.

Creature Feature: 10:30 a.m. daily

Help our puppets tell a fun animal story! Who's hatching out of that egg? Which animal friends get together to share breakfast? What animal wants to swap scales for feathers or fur? At the end of the story, meet a real, live zoo animal!

Shake, Rattle & Roar: 11:30 a.m. daily

Seattle's coolest toddler dance party! Join the fun with music and shakers of all kinds.

Animal feeding experiences and encounter opportunities

Family Farm Contact Area: 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. daily

Is a goat soft? How does a sheep want to be touched? Pet some domestic farm animals and learn more about them in supervised areas at the Family Farm. Free with zoo admission.

Willawong Station, The Bird Feeding Experience: 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily

This popular walk-through bird feeding experience transports you to the world of the Australian parrot and grasslands habitat. Willawong Station is a fun opportunity for the whole family to get up close and feed birds in a controlled, safe environment while learning about responsible care for birds both in the wild and at home. The aviary includes approximately 100 free-flying birds, primarily small colorful Australian parrots. Free with zoo admission. Seed sticks: \$2 each, cash only at the exhibit. Punch cards available at West and South Entrances: \$10.00 for 6 sticks.

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Giraffe Up-close Experience: 10:00–11:00 a.m. and 3:00–4:00 p.m. daily except Tuesdays

What color is a giraffe's tongue? How tall are giraffes? Meet Woodland Park Zoo's giraffes up close on a raised platform in the African Savanna, and learn how you are saving giraffes in the wild. Photography encouraged. Cost: \$5 per person, cash only; children 5 and under are free with paying adult.

Animal Encounters

Want a close encounter with the animal kind? Here's your chance to meet a lizard, snake or other small zoo animal up close and personal. Look for the Animal Encounters cart!

More fun...

Historic Carousel: 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily

This summer, Woodland Park Zoo's Historic Carousel turns 100 years old! Enjoy rides on the classic, hand-carved wooden carousel horses. Cost: \$3 a ride, in addition to zoo admission.

Discover!

The call of discovery beckons! Join docents and ZooCorps teens in an exploration of nature's balance and tools of survival. In these hands-on programs featuring exhibits, biofacts, and fun-filled games, you'll have an opportunity to pursue questions and passions. Plus, discover how you can help save wildlife by taking some simple steps. Swing by a discovery station and indulge your scientific side!

Bug Club 2018: Bug Biodiversity & You (fee based)

Did you know that four out of five animal species that exist on earth today are arthropods? The arthropod group of animals includes insects, arachnids, crustaceans, and millipedes and centipedes. This year, Bug Club topics will focus on how we study bug biodiversity, how bugs and people are connected, how we can help conserve bug species and how we can learn more about our favorite bugs! At each Bug Club meeting, we explore insects and other arthropods through lively conversations, buggy crafts, snacks and outdoor explorations.

Parents' Night Out (fee based)

Dinner reservation? Check. Verified movie times? Check. Babysitter? Uh oh. Don't fret—let Woodland Park Zoo handle childcare for you. Kids ages 4–11 enjoy a fun-filled evening with zoo staff while you enjoy a night out on the town. Supervised activities for kids include games, a fun, educational film and a tasty pizza dinner! For information or to register, go to www.zoo.org/education/childrens-programs or call 206.548.2424. All children must be fully potty trained.

Summer Camp (fee based)

Woodland Park Zoo's summer camps are a wonderful blend of learning and fun for ages 3–14. Limited spaces are available. For the schedule, more information and to register, visit <https://www.zoo.org/camps>.

Senior Programs (fee based)

Join us for programs designed especially for seniors! Senior Zoo Walkers program gets you out onto zoo grounds and moving, as often as twice a week. For more information and to register, visit <http://www.zoo.org/education/adult> or call 206.548.2424.

General information

Parking: \$6 plus applicable state and local taxes. Parking is limited. Consider taking the bus, biking, walking or carpooling. Conserving resources is one more way to help animals. The zoo offers a \$2 discount to anyone who rides the bus to the zoo. Must show proof at ticket window; either bus transfer slip or orca card. For bus service to the zoo, visit: www.metro.kingcounty.gov.

Location: Enter through the West Entrance on Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55th & N. 56th Sts. or South Entrance at N. 50th St. & Fremont Ave. N.

Online ticketing: Avoid lines and get your tickets in advance at www.zoo.org/visit. Discounts and coupons are not applicable for online ticket purchases.

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.

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 more about animals and daily zoo activities, and share the highlights of your visit with friends.

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

Gifts/food: Explore 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.

For more information or to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call 206.548.2500.

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 care and act, Woodland Park Zoo is making a difference in our planet's future ecological health and sustainability. Free Wi-Fi is available for zoo guests, made possible through products donated by Cisco. Visit www.zoo.org and follow the zoo on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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