Mom & Me at the Zoo celebrates moms with half-price admission

WHAT:

Woodland Park Zoo celebrates Mother's Day and moms at the 28th annual Mom & Me at the Zoo on Saturday, May 12. Moms receive half price off admission to the zoo on the day of the event and the first 700 moms receive a complimentary potted pollinator-friendly flower.

The Northwest family tradition features a day of fun for moms and families on the North Meadow including bouncy houses, crafts, and live entertainment from ARC Dance Company, BMA Klown Klub, Alpha Martial Arts and UV Performing Arts.

Woodland Park Zoo is currently home to several mama animals and their offspring including sloth bear Tasha and twin cubs Deemak and Kartick, snow leopard Helen and cub Aibek, and giraffe Tufani and calf Lulu. No matter the species, all these mothers work hard to care for their babies. Learn about the parenting behaviors of some of the zoo's animals with keeper talks focused on maternal care.

Other Mom & Me activities include up-close programs featuring a variety of ambassador animals such as a skunk, porcupine or hornbill; snack time for sloth bears; a training session with tigers; a variety of kid-friendly programs in Zoomazium; and up-close experiences with giraffes (additional fee). Visit www.zoo.org/events for a schedule of activities.

WHEN: Saturday, May 12, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

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

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

Ave. N.

INFO: Mom & Me at the Zoo is free with zoo admission. Moms receive half-price

zoo admission on Saturday, May 12.

Summer zoo hours May 1-September 30: 9:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. daily. Admission April 1-September 30: Adult (13-64) \$20.95; Child (3-12) \$12.95; Toddler (0-2) Free. Active, retired, and veteran U.S. military and their families, seniors and people with disabilities receive an admission discount. Zoo members receive free zoo admission year round.

Parking: \$6 plus applicable state and local taxes. Parking is limited. The zoo offers a \$2 zoo admission discount to bus riders to the zoo. Must show proof, either a bus transfer or ORCA card, at ticket window. For bus service to the zoo, visit: www.metro.kingcounty.gov.

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.

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

Gifts/food: Explore the ZooStores for unique gifts and souvenirs. Stop by the Rain Forest Food Pavilion to quench your thirst and appetite.

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

Founded in 1899, 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. Each year, the zoo engages more than a million visitors of all ages, backgrounds, abilities, and walks of life in extraordinary experiences with animals, inspiring them to make conservation a priority in their lives and a difference in our planet's future ecological health and sustainability. Visit www.zoo.org and follow the zoo on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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