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Woodland Park Zoo joins Amazon at South Lake Union for Where the Wild Things Live

WHAT: Amazon and Woodland Park Zoo invite the community of all ages and

backgrounds to bring your curiosity for learning, participate in hands-on activities, and meet some of Woodland Park Zoo's ambassador animals at a series of events called Where the Wild Things Live. The free events will take place August 1, 14 and 29 at a couple of South Lake Union locations,

making it easy for passersby to enjoy.

WHEN/ Wednesday, August 1, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

"Passion for Pollinators" WHERE:

Day 1 Playfield - 2121 7th Ave., Seattle

Commit to protecting pollinators—from butterflies to bees—and build a minigarden that is a pollinator perfect destination in backyards or on balconies. Plant a mini-garden (first 350 guests), paint a garden rock with a pledge to conserve pollinators, take selfies in bee costumes or with pollinator-themed photo frames and props, take home a seed packet to plant (700 available) and meet one of Woodland Park Zoo's charming ambassador animals during the first half hour.

Tuesday, August 14, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

"Meet the Ambassadors"

Van Vorst Plaza - 426 Terry Ave. N., Seattle

From Blueberry the hornbill to Skyáana the porcupine, learn about Woodland Park Zoo's incredible ambassador animals through an engaging up-close experience. Two animal programs will take place at 11:30 and 12:10. In between programs, zoo docents will share Pacific Northwest-related biofacts and discuss the zoo's field conservation projects to save wildlife and their wild places in Washington.

Wednesday, August 29, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

"Animals of the Amazon"

Day 1 Playfield - 2121 7th Ave., Seattle

Experience the lushness of South America, snap a selfie in front of stunning photos of animals native to South America such as a poison dart frog, a jaguar and a pudu, meet a Woodland Park Zoo ambassador animal at 11:00 and chat with zoo docents sharing a variety of fascinating biofacts.

COST: Where the Wild Things Live events are free

INFO: Visit www.zoo.org/events or call 206.548.2500 for information

> 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 30 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 $\underline{www.zoo.org}$ and follow the zoo on $\underline{Facebook},\,\underline{Twitter}$ and $\underline{Instagram}.$

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