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Press preview Nov. 20: WildLights presented by Sound Credit Union

WHAT: **WildLights presented by Sound Credit Union** will be brighter and bigger than ever before! The press is invited to a preview of Woodland Park Zoo's seventh annual winter lights festival on **Tuesday, November 20, 5:30–7:00 p.m.**

The illuminating, after-hours event begins for the general public Friday, November 23, 2018, through Saturday, January 5, 2019, 5:30–8:30 p.m. WildLights will be closed December 12, 24 and 25.

More than 700,000 dazzling, colorful LED lights recreate wild animals and wild places across the zoo, including new displays at the zoo's South Entrance, which will now be open during WildLights. Among the vivid lights, sights, and sounds of WildLights, guests will enjoy the new Light Bright, faux snowball fights in Snowmazium, meerkats, sloths and fruit bats in the Adaptations Building, delicious warm treats and so much more! Fridays through Sundays, encounters with ambassador animals will delight kids and adults of all ages. Fire pits will be located across the zoo for guests to get warm and toasty and make-your-own s'mores kits will be available for purchase, along with hot chocolate, fresh hot donuts and other winter favorites.

Guests 21 and older can enjoy a selection of hand crafted local beer and wine and specialty hot drinks while cozying up under the covered outdoor spaces near the Rain Forest Food Pavilion, which will feature a selection of house-made chowders, pizza, burgers and hot drinks. ID is required to order alcoholic beverages.

WHEN: **WildLights press preview: Tuesday, November 20, 5:30–7:00 p.m.**

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WHERE: Meet PR staff at the West Entrance at Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55th & N. 56th Sts. Park in the Penguin Lot at N. 55th St. & Phinney Ave. N. or Otter Lot off N. 59th St. & Phinney Ave. N. Parking is free.

COST: WildLights tickets are on sale at zoo.org/wildlights or at zoo gates during zoo hours. Night-of-event tickets will be sold at the zoo's West and South Entrances, if not sold out. WildLights is a rain or shine event—there will be no ticket refunds.

Buy Early and Save

(Tickets purchased from November 1 through December 13, 2018)

- Adult: \$11.95
- Child: \$9.95
- Member: \$9.95

General Admission Tickets

(Tickets purchased from December 14, 2018 through January 5, 2019)

- Adult: \$14.95



- Child: \$11.95
- Member: \$14.95

INFO:

Fall/winter zoo hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily through April 30. For more information or to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call 206.548.2500.

Founded in 1899, Woodland Park 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. The zoo is helping to save animals and their habitats in the wild through more than 30 field projects in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. 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. Visit www.zoo.org and follow the zoo on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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