

Woodland Park Zoo 2019 Calendar of Events

(All events are free with zoo admission or membership unless noted otherwise. Information is subject to change.)



February 9

Valentine's Day Enrichment, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Fall in love with Woodland Park Zoo's animals as they celebrate Valentine's Day the wild way with festive treats like heart-shaped ice pops, herbal bouquets or heart-shaped steaks. The Valentine's Day treats are 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 provide extraordinary experiences for zoo visitors.

April 1

Base zoo admission price begins through September 30.

April 20

Bunny Bounce and Easter Baskets for the Animals, 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Hop, skip and jump to Woodland Park Zoo for the 18th annual Bunny Bounce, featuring amazing egg hunts for children ages 1–8, crafts, bunny encounters and eggs-citing zoo programs throughout the day. Space may be limited. Each egg hunt is open on a first-come, first-served basis. Orangutans, lemurs, grizzlies, and more nibble on specially made Easter baskets lined with flowers, berries and other favorite treats. The special treats are 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 provide extraordinary experiences for zoo visitors.

May 1

Summer hours begin: 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily through September 2.

May 18

Zoo for All: Celebrating Our Cultures, 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Celebrating Our Cultures is part of Zoo for All, a series of events aiming to deepen connections in communities that are often underserved. Celebrating Our Cultures is a day to celebrate diverse cultures with special programming and entertainment. Partners include El Centro de la Raza, Chief Seattle Club and others. Stay tuned for exciting activities and programming.

June–September

BECU ZooTunes presented by Carter Subaru Concert Series

The ever-popular summer concert series is back for its 35th year! Top artists and singer-songwriters perform outdoors in the zoo's North Meadow with festival seating. Blankets, low-backed chairs and picnic baskets are welcome. Proceeds from ZooTunes support the zoo's exemplary animal care, engaging education programs, and wildlife conservation projects in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. ZooTunes concert tickets go on sale in early spring at zoo.org/zootunes.

June 8

Bear Affair: Living Northwest Conservation Day, 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

What does it mean to live in the Pacific Northwest with wildlife in our own backyard? What happens when you don't store food properly or haphazardly leave garbage around while camping in bear country? Get a glimpse of the results as Woodland Park Zoo's popular grizzly bear brothers tear into a campsite, and learn what steps you can take to properly bear-proof your surroundings. Hear animal keeper talks for bears, wolves, raptors and more, and learn what these Pacific Northwest animals need in order to survive in the wild and peacefully co-exist with humans.

June 29 & June 30

Red, White & Zoo, 10:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

It's a Fourth of July picnic as Woodland Park Zoo's animals—orangutans, lemurs, pigs, gorillas and more—are treated to star-shaped popsicles, watermelons or corn on the cob in celebration of Red, White & Zoo. The special treats are 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 guests.

July 2

Zoo for All: Celebrating All Abilities, 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Zoo for All is a series of events aiming to deepen connections in communities that are often underserved. Celebrating All Abilities invites the special needs/inclusion communities to come to the zoo for a day of fun events and programming, including a "Sensory Map" to the zoo and more.

July 12

Woodland Park Zoo's 43rd Annual Jungle Party, 4:30–9:30 p.m.

(Zoo closes early at 3:00 p.m.)

It's Woodland Park Zoo's 43rd Annual Jungle Party! Nearly 1,000 of the Northwest's civic and philanthropic leaders come together on the zoo's North Meadow to indulge in an evening of festivities including fun-filled bidding on several hundred exciting auction items and experiences during the silent and live auctions, a colorful reception, live entertainment, up-close animal experiences for patron guests, a lavish sit-down dinner and open bars. All funds raised at Jungle Party help the zoo raise the levels of excellence in animal care and exhibit

design, support wildlife conservation locally and globally, and provide education programs for people of all ages. For more information, visit zoo.org/jungleparty.

July 26

Tasting Flight, 6:00–9:00 p.m.

Uncork some of the Northwest's finest boutique wines at Woodland Park Zoo's Tasting Flight after hours, adults only event. Winemakers will be on hand to answer questions and give tips to make the most of your tasting experiences. Additional tastings, full bottles of your favorite selections and small bites will also be available for purchase at the event. Must be 21 and over to attend. Proceeds from this fundraiser benefit the zoo. Visit zoo.org/wine for ticket information.

July 30

Zoo for All: Honoring Those Who Serve, 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

They serve, they defend, they protect, they sacrifice—and Woodland Park Zoo proudly salutes them. The zoo is hosting a special all-day event in honor of those who put themselves at risk in service to their community and country.

Fridays in August

Evening Zoo, 6:00–8:30 p.m.

Make it a date night or a special evening for the whole family by experiencing Woodland Park Zoo after hours each Friday in August. Until 8:30 p.m., the zoo is open for guests to enjoy free animal keeper talks and education programs at regular zoo admission price; delicious food and beverages will be available for purchase.

August 10

Wild Asia: Asian Wildlife Conservation Day, 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Wild Asia: Asian Wildlife Conservation Day illustrates how the zoo's partnerships are helping to save the endangered wildlife of Asia and bringing life sustaining commerce to indigenous families. Learn more about issues such as poaching and palm oil, and how your choices and actions can help to save Malayan tigers, greater one-horned rhinos, orangutans, tree kangaroos and other endangered animals. The day is filled with activities including keeper talks, crafts, family activities and more.

September 3

September hours through September 30: Monday – Friday 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Saturday – Sunday 9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

September 7

Summer Safari 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Celebrate African wildlife and the conservation projects working to protect them during Woodland Park Zoo's **Summer Safari: African Wildlife Conservation Day**. This full day of activities focuses on African animals through informative keeper talks, educational activities, and special animal

enrichment sessions to heighten awareness about issues such as illegal poaching and habitat loss, and how your choices and actions can help save giraffe, lions, gorillas and other critical African animals.

October 1 Winter hours begin: 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. daily through April 30.

October 1 Winter discount zoo admission begins through March 31.

October 3 **Brew at the Zoo, 5:30–8:30 p.m.**

The fabulous tasting event features micro brews and ciders at this adults-only evening. Held in and outside the zoo's Rain Forest Food Pavilion and in Zoomazium, the event also features food and entertainment to "top off" your evening. Must be 21 and over to attend. Proceeds from this fundraiser benefit the zoo. Visit zoo.org/brew for ticket information.

October 26 & 27 **Pumpkin Bash and Trick-or-Treating, 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.**
Pumpkins for the animals, trick-or-treating, and more are in store for little goblins and ghosts at Woodland Park Zoo's family-friendly Pumpkin Bash. Discover a repertoire of animal behavior as hippos, bears, Malayan tigers, lemurs, and other animals crunch, smash or stomp on pumpkins! The pumpkins are 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 provide extraordinary experiences for zoo visitors. Free with zoo admission or membership. During Pumpkin Bash, one child 12 years and under in costume is admitted into the zoo FREE with a paid adult.

November 11 **Veterans Day Discount**
They serve, they defend, they protect, they sacrifice, and Woodland Park Zoo salutes them. In honor of those who put themselves at risk in service to their community and country, the zoo extends free admission to all active, retired, and veteran U.S. military personnel and their spouses with valid service identification on Veterans Day. Veterans Day discounts cannot be combined with other offers or zoo discounts.

November 23 **Turkey Toss, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.**
The zoo's carnivores chow down on raw, store-prepared turkeys at the annual Turkey Toss. The turkeys are 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 provide extraordinary experiences for zoo visitors.

November 29

WildLights, nightly starting November 29 through the holidays, 5:30–8:30 p.m.

Friends and families are invited to commemorate the holiday season at Woodland Park Zoo's eighth annual WildLights celebration. Guests will be transported to a festive winter wonderland complete with lights, treats, animals and more. Tickets will be available for purchase at zoo.org/wildlights.

December 3

Zoo for All: WildLights, 5:30–8:30 p.m.

To celebrate the zoo's beloved WildLights, more than 10,000 passes are being offered to those affected by homelessness, those in foster care and other communities in need.

December 14–16,
December 21–23

Winter Celebration, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Some animals hibernate during the winter, but you don't have to! Celebrate winter by taking a wildlife trek at Woodland Park Zoo's Winter Celebration. Discover a repertoire of animal behavior as animals munch on holiday-themed treats such as wreaths with assorted fruit, evergreen trees with ornamental fruit, and boughs and wrapped boxes. 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 provide extraordinary experiences for zoo visitors.

General information

Hours: October 1 through April 30: 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. daily. May 1 through September 30: 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily. The zoo is open every day except Christmas Day.

Admission:

Prices effective January 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019: Adult (13–64) \$15.50; Child (3–12) \$10.50; Toddler (0-2) Free. April 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019: Adult (13–64) \$22.95; Child (3–12) \$13.95; Toddler (0-2) Free. October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019: Adult: \$15.50; Child (3–12) \$10.50; Toddler (0-2) Free. Active, retired, and veteran U.S. military and their families, seniors and people with physical disabilities receive an admission discount. Zoo members receive free zoo admission year round. Admission prices subject to change.

Parking: \$6.00 plus applicable state and local taxes. Parking is limited.

Conserve Resources: 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 buy your general admission tickets in advance at www.zoo.org/visit. Discounts and coupons are not applicable for online ticket purchases.

Mobile app: Download the free Woodland Park Zoo mobile app for iPhone, iPad or Android in 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.

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.

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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