

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

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The way to an otter's heart: fish pops! ***A sneak peek of Valentine's Day at Woodland Park Zoo***

WHAT: Woodland Park Zoo will show a lotta love by giving otter-licious, heart-shaped fish pops to its river otters. More awe and wonder will follow with Lucy, a raccoon and an ambassador animal at the zoo, demonstrating a themed training session. The press is invited to this preview of Valentine's Day on **Friday, February 8**.

A variety of other animals, including snow leopards, penguins, orangutans, and warty pigs, will celebrate Cupid's holiday the following day on Saturday, February 9, with divine treats such as heart-shaped ice pops, herbal bouquets or heart-shaped steaks.

The themed 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.

WHEN: **Press photo op for river otters and raccoon: Friday, February 8**
River otters: 11:00 a.m.
Raccoon: 11:20 a.m.

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.

INFO: The community is invited to Woodland Park Zoo's Valentine's Day celebration on **Saturday, February 9, 10:00 a.m.–2:15 p.m.:**

Sloth bears 10:00
Jaguar 10:00
Lions 10:00
Orangutans 10:30
Flamingos 10:30
Snow leopards 10:45
Komodo dragon 11:00
River otters 11:45
Grizzly bears noon
Steer 1:00
Kunekune pigs 1:15
Meerkats 1:30
Warty pigs 1:30
Golden lion tamarins 1:30
Penguins 2:00
Ambassador animals at Alvord Broadleaf Theater 2:00
Wolves 2:15

COST: Valentine's Day celebration is free with zoo admission or membership. Admission through March 31: Adult (13-64) \$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. Parking: \$6 plus applicable state and local taxes.



INFO:

Winter hours: 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. daily. For more information and how to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call 206.548.2500.

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

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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