## **Tigers, rhinos, and sloth bears, oh my!** Wild Asia: Asian Wildlife Conservation Day is August 10

WHAT:



Celebrate Asia's breathtaking wildlife at Woodland Park Zoo's **Wild Asia:** Asian Wildlife Conservation Day, Saturday, August 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Learn how your choices and actions can help save the lives of Malayan tigers, greater one-horned rhinos, orangutans, tree kangaroos and other endangered species native to Asia.

This full day of activities shines a spotlight on Asia's diverse and fascinating species, from massive rhinos to playful otters, highlighting the necessary <u>conservation efforts</u> critical to their survival in the wild.

Attend animal keeper talks and enrichment sessions throughout the day to see the zoo's Asian animals and learn how the zoo is working to preserve their counterparts in the wild through its Conservation Partners and Wildlife Survival Programs. Guests at any keeper talk can collect a set of animal collectible cards, each featuring an animal living at Woodland Park Zoo such as Bumi the Malayan tiger or Hazel the red panda. Most Wild Asia keeper talks will include special enrichment for the animals such as hidden food or scented items for the animals to find. Enrichment is part of the animal keepers' ongoing efforts to help enrich the lives of the zoo's animals, promote natural animal behavior, keep animals mentally and physically stimulated and engage zoo visitors.

Guests can also enter to win rare opportunities such as a behind-the-scenes visit with Ecki, the zoo's young and utterly adorable tree kangaroo (to be scheduled at a later date); or a poster of paintings crafted by Melati, one of the zoo's orangutans.

WHEN: Saturday, August 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Locations and times of activities will be posted at the zoo entrances, or download the Woodland Park Zoo mobile app for activity times and locations.

- WHERE: Woodland Park Zoo. Enter through West Entrance located at Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55<sup>th</sup> & N. 56<sup>th</sup> Sts., or South Entrance located at N. 50<sup>th</sup> St. & Fremont Ave. N.
- **TICKETS:** Wild Asia is free with regular zoo admission and for zoo members. Admission through September 30: Adult (13-64) \$22.95; Child (3-12) \$13.95; Toddler (0-2) Free. Zoo members receive free zoo admission year round. Parking: \$6 plus applicable state and local taxes.
- INFO: Summer hours through September 2: 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. daily. September 3 through September 30: 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information or to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call 206.548.2500.

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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 35 wildlife conservation 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 <sup>™</sup> seal of approval is another important validation of the zoo's long-standing tradition of meeting the highest standards in animal welfare. Visit <u>www.zoo.org</u> and follow the zoo on <u>Facebook, Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

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