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Butterflies are back! Press invited to preview of Molbak's Butterfly Garden

WHAT:

Woodland Park Zoo will once again be fluttering with hundreds of butterflies in Molbak's Butterfly Garden. The press is invited for a preview on Thursday, May 26, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Molbak's Butterfly Garden offers a magical experience where guests can experience the wondrous world of "flying flowers" while strolling inside an enclosed space teeming with colorful and aromatic blooming flowers. Here, guests can learn about the life cycle of these important pollinators while watching new butterflies emerge from chrysalises before flying freely in the garden.

Behind Molbak's Butterfly Garden is the year-round Microsoft Pollinator Patio, a glorious garden complete with ideas and actions to take on behalf of native pollinators such as butterflies, hummingbirds, beetles, bees and flies. Join Woodland Park Zoo's pollinator journey and the growing movement to protect and conserve habitat for pollinators across the Northwest: www.zoo.org/nw/pollinators.

WHEN: Press preview: Thursday, May 26, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Molbak's Butterfly Garden will open to the public Friday, May 27 through

Monday, September 5, 9:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. daily

WHERE: Molbak's Butterfly Garden at Woodland Park Zoo. 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: Summer hours: 9:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. daily

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