

## CALENDAR ADVISORY

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### #ThisIsHowWeZoo: Fall and winter happenings at Woodland Park Zoo

#### Fall and winter fun

##### **Pumpkin Bash presented by First Tech Federal Credit Union: Saturday and Sunday, October 29–30, 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.**

Kiddies, wear a spooktacular costume and get free admission to Woodland Park Zoo's Pumpkin Bash presented by First Tech Federal Credit Union. Enjoy a weekend of Halloween fun for kids and animals! Hippos, otters, bears, penguins, and other animals will gobble, smash, and play with pumpkins and autumn-themed treats while little goblins and ghosts trick-or-treat at the zoo. During Pumpkin Bash, one child 12 years and under in costume is admitted to the zoo FREE with a paid adult. Pumpkin Bash is free with zoo admission or membership.



##### **WildLanterns presented by BECU: November 11, 2022 through January 22, 2023; 4:00–9:00 p.m. Closed Mondays (except Dec. 19 and 26), Thanksgiving, December 3, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day**

WildLanterns presented by BECU is roaring back this winter with brand-new lanterns, themed zones and some returning fan favorites that will “wow” anyone, no matter their age! Illuminate your holidays with an immersive, interactive, larger-than-life experience unlike any in the Pacific Northwest! For information and ticket prices, visit [zoo.org/wildlanterns](http://zoo.org/wildlanterns).

##### **Historic Carousel: 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. daily**

Take a whirl on Woodland Park Zoo's Historic Carousel of classic, hand-carved wooden carousel horses. Cost: \$3 a ride, in addition to zoo admission.

##### **Zoomazium: 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. daily; closed Tuesdays**

Kids 8 and under and their caregivers love Zoomazium! The nature-themed indoor play space offers adventure and learning in a fun, safe and stimulating environment. Here, kids can connect with animals and habitats through the natural language of childhood—play! Explore, climb and play. Enjoy daily activities for toddlers and children. Free with zoo admission.

##### **Senior Zoo Walkers (fee based)**

Join the zoo for programs designed especially for seniors! The self-guided social walking program promotes fitness and well-being among adults ages 55 and up. Participants spend time socializing with peers in a beautiful natural setting while learning more about wildlife and the natural world while engaging in a healthy activity at the zoo. For more information and to register, visit <https://www.zoo.org/seniorzoowalkers>

#### **#IAmLivingNorthwest: Discover, recover and coexist**

Woodland Park Zoo advocates for saving species and spaces around the Pacific Northwest through its [Living Northwest Program](#), including western pond turtles, wolves, Oregon silverspot butterflies, wolverines and many others. The recently reimagined Living Northwest Trail exhibit is home to the zoo's elk and other native wildlife. The exhibit and its companion website, [“We Are Living Northwest,”](#) provide visitors with numerous conservation actions to take to help the species that share the region's iconic landscapes. Share how you're living Northwest using #IAmLivingNorthwest on social media.

## Animal keeper talks and guest experiences

Animal keeper talks and programs begin Oct. 1. The animal keepers provide exceptional care to all the animals at the zoo, making sure they have everything they need to be healthy and happy. They also help save animals in the wild in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. Enjoy the talks and be inspired to save wildlife and their wild places. Programs are offered through April 30 and are free with zoo admission except as noted. Locations of programs are posted at the zoo's South and West Entrances. *All programs are subject to cancellation due to weather or animal availability.*

### Sundays

|            |   |
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| 10:30      | Critter Connections (additional fee)      |
| 11:00–2:00 | Penguin Feeding (additional fee)          |
| 1:30       | African Savanna Keeper Talk               |
| 2:00       | Steller's Sea Eagle Keeper Talk           |
| 2:00       | Ambassador Animals Training Demonstration |
| 2:30       | Rhino Keeper Talk                         |

### Mondays

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| 11:00–2:00 | Penguin Feeding (additional fee) |
| 11:30      | Flamingo Keeper Talk             |

### Tuesdays

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| 11:00–2:00 | Penguin Feeding (additional fee) |
| 1:00       | Komodo Dragon Keeper Talk        |
| 1:30       | Sloth Bear Keeper Talk           |
| 2:30       | Tropical Rain Forest Dome Talk   |

### Wednesdays

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| 10:30      | Look Listen Feel Storytime       |
| 11:00–2:00 | Penguin Feeding (additional fee) |
| 11:30      | Brown Bear Keeper Talk           |
| 1:30       | Gardener Talk                    |
| 1:30       | Orangutan Training Demonstration |

### Thursdays

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| 10:30      | African Savanna Aviary Keeper Talk |
| 11:00–2:00 | Penguin Feeding (additional fee)   |
| 12:30      | Enrichment Making for Kea          |
| 1:15       | Kea Keeper Talk                    |
| 2:30       | Rhino Keeper Talk                  |

### Fridays

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| 10:30      | Critter Connections (additional fee)      |
| 11:00–2:00 | Penguin Feeding (additional fee)          |
| 11:30      | Tiger Training Demonstration              |
| 2:00       | Wetlands Keeper Talk                      |
| 2:00       | Ambassador Animals Training Demonstration |
| 2:30       | Asian Small-clawed Otter Keeper Talk      |

### Saturdays

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| 10:30      | Penguin Snack Time                        |
| 10:30      | Critter Connections (additional fee)      |
| 11:00–2:00 | Penguin Feeding (additional fee)          |
| 11:30      | Brown Bear Keeper Talk                    |
| 11:30      | Tiger Training Demonstration              |
| 2:00       | Ambassador Animals Training Demonstration |

**General information**

Fall/winter zoo hours: 9:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. daily. Woodland Park Zoo offers a safe, outdoor experience for all.

Accessibility: Information about accessibility and resources, one-to-one aides, sighted guides, mobility equipment rentals, and a sensory map and tools can be found at [www.zoo.org/access](http://www.zoo.org/access). For questions or to request disability accommodations for zoo programs or events, contact [zooinfo@zoo.org](mailto:zooinfo@zoo.org).

Enter Woodland Park Zoo through the West Entrance at Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55th & N. 56th Sts. or South Entrance at N. 50th St. & Fremont Ave. N.

Admission: Adult (13-64) \$18.25; Senior (65+) \$16.25; Child (3-12) \$12.50; Toddler (0-2) Free; Persons with disabilities \$2 off regular admission, 1:1 aides Free. Zoo members receive free zoo admission year round. Active, retired, reserve and veteran U.S. military and their families receive an admission discount. Parking: \$6 first two hours, \$2 each additional hour plus applicable state and local taxes.

For more information, visit [www.zoo.org](http://www.zoo.org) or call 206.548.2500. Follow the zoo on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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