



Celebrate the Start of Summer This Weekend at Assiniboine Park Zoo!

For immediate release: Winnipeg, May 19, 2023 – It has been all hands-on deck this week as the Assiniboine Park Conservancy prepares for a busy long weekend to kick off the summer season at Assiniboine Park Zoo.

"The sun is shining and we are ready for a fabulous summer season," said Laura Cabak, Director of Public Relations and Communications, Assiniboine Park Conservancy. "Whether you come to see the polar bears in Journey to Churchill, the goats and llamas at Aunt Sally's Farm, or our new Wildlife Rescue exhibit, the Zoo is a great place for family fun this weekend and all summer long!"

Opening this weekend at the Zoo is **Wildlife Rescue: Miracles in Conservation**. This new indoor exhibit tells the stories of real animals and the people who have dedicated their lives to helping them survive. Visitors will encounter a variety of fascinating creatures and interactive displays that explore conservation success stories from around the world. More details can be found at assiniboinepark.ca.

This weekend also marks the seasonal opening of a number of other Zoo attractions and experiences:

- **Dinosaurs UnCovered Trail** – The trail features 17 life-size, animatronic dinosaurs from the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous periods including the fearsome Tyrannosaurs Rex.
- **Daily Zoo Chats** – Get to know your favourite animals with members of our animal care team. Zoo Chats take place daily from May 20 - September 4.
- **Zoo Tram** – The tram route connects the Zoo entrance with the north end of the Zoo, making stops along the way. The tram will run on weekends and stat holidays in May and June, daily through July and August.
- **Seasonal Concessions** – Enjoy a variety of sweet summery treats and snacks at Winston's Ice Cream Shoppe, the Bison Snack Shack, mini donut cart, and more. Concessions will be open on weekends and holidays until late June. Daily service begins on June 24.

The Domo Trolley will also be back up and running this weekend. The Trolley provides Park visitors with convenient and free transportation to the Park's signature attractions including The Leaf, English Garden, Leo Mol Sculpture Garden, Nature Playground, and Zoo. The Trolley runs weekends and stat holidays until the end of June. Daily service begins on July 1.

The Zoo is open daily from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. More information can be found at assiniboinepark.ca.

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