



## **Dinosaurs UnCovered and Monsters of the Abyss Open Today at Assiniboine Park Zoo**

**For immediate release:** Winnipeg, May 15, 2026 – Staff and volunteers at Assiniboine Park Zoo are excited to welcome guests this May long weekend to kick off the summer season with the opening of two seasonal exhibits.

"We're going back in time this summer, visiting mighty dinosaurs and the most mysterious prehistoric and modern-day aquatic predators that have ever roamed the Earth," said Dani Wenger, Communications Coordinator, Assiniboine Park Conservancy. "With so much to see and do, we are looking forward to another incredible summer at the Zoo!"

**Dinosaurs UnCovered** features 14 life-sized dinosaurs along a forested trail. Visitors will encounter dinosaurs from the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous periods, including the fearsome Tyrannosaurus Rex and more recently discovered species like the feathered Dakotaraptor. Interpretive displays share insights into these fascinating creatures, archaeological discoveries, emerging technology and science, and evolutionary connections between dinosaur species and their modern-day relatives.

**Monsters of the Abyss** dives into the history of prehistoric and modern-day aquatic predators. Learn about their ecology and why they were so feared through amazing fossils, live animals, and daily educational programming. Guests will have the opportunity to meet and interact with species such as the diamondback terrapin, caiman lizard, and Asian water dragon.

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

- **Daily Zoo Chats** – Get to know your favourite animals with members of our animal care team. Zoo Chats take place daily from May 16 to September 7.
- **Zoo Tram** – The tram route connects the Zoo entrance with the north end of the Zoo, making stops along the way. The free tram runs on weekends and statutory holidays in May and June (starting May 16), daily through July and August, and on weekends and statutory holidays after Labour Day until October 13.
- **Seasonal Concessions** – Enjoy a variety of sweet and summery treats and snacks, including hot dogs and Hawaiian shaved ice. Concessions will be open on weekends and statutory holidays until mid-June, daily starting on June 22.

**The Domo Trolley** will also be running this weekend, providing Park visitors with free transportation to signature attractions including The Leaf, English Garden, Leo Mol Sculpture Garden, Lyric Theatre, and Zoo. The Trolley runs on weekends and statutory holidays in May and June (starting May 16), daily through July and August, and on weekends and statutory holidays after Labour Day until October 13.

The Zoo is open daily from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Dinosaurs UnCovered and Monsters of the Abyss are included with regular Zoo admission and are here for a limited time. Both exhibits will close after the September long weekend. For more information about visiting Assiniboine Park Zoo, visit [assiniboinepark.ca](https://www.assiniboinepark.ca).

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