

## **Boo at the Zoo Presented by Access Credit Union Opens Tonight at Assiniboine Park Zoo**

### **– Welcome to Spookyville –**

**For immediate release:** Winnipeg, October 3, 2025 – It has been all hands, broomsticks, and magic wands on deck this week as the Assiniboine Park Zoo prepares to welcome thousands of guests to the opening night of Boo at the Zoo, presented by Access Credit Union.

Running for 21 nights from October 3 to October 31, Boo at the Zoo is back and better than ever with the spellbinding debut of Spookyville, a mysterious and magical town filled with Halloween haunts and spooky surprises around every corner.

"Spooky season is here at last!" declared Vic van Ghoul, the ever-eager and slightly scatterbrained mayor of Spookyville. "We've been working night and day to get everything ready. The cobwebs are hung, the jack-o'-lanterns are glowing, and those naughty witches, wizards, ghosts, and goblins have all promised to be on their best *boohaviour*. We can't wait to welcome you to Spookyville. I guarantee you'll have a hauntingly good time!"

In Spookyville, guests of all ages can explore themed areas like Hexmore Academy, Broomstick Bay, Spookyville Jail, and the Mansion of Haunt, or test their courage in The Hallows – a winding trail full of playful frights. Families will enjoy complimentary carnival rides, craft stations, a curious cast of new and returning characters, and performances by fire artists, jugglers, and giant puppets. Guests can also enjoy face painting and caricature drawings (available for an additional fee), offering a fun way to personalize your visit and take home a one-of-a-kind souvenir.

And for grown-up ghouls, *Boo at the Zoo: After, After Dark* returns for an adults-only evening on October 31, with live music, sampling stations, a costume contest, and more spirited fun for the 18+ crowd.

### **TICKET REMINDERS**

Boo at the Zoo tickets are date and time-specific, with limited capacity for each time slot. Some early weekend slots are already sold out, so guests are encouraged to plan ahead and purchase tickets in advance. Tickets are **\$17.50 + GST** for ages 3 and up; children 2 and under are free.

For more event details, hours of operation, and ticket information, visit [booatthetoo.ca](https://booatthetoo.ca).

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