

**Assiniboine Park Zoo Closed January 6 – 17 for Maintenance
Biomes at The Leaf Closed January 13 – 15 and January 27 – 29 for Display Changes**

For immediate release: Winnipeg, January 3, 2025 – The Assiniboine Park Conservancy is reminding visitors of upcoming closures at the Assiniboine Park Zoo and the biomes at The Leaf. These closures are scheduled in advance as part of regular operations and the Conservancy's ongoing commitment to delivering excellent visitor experiences.

ASSINIBOINE PARK ZOO: Closed January 6 – 17, 2025

The Zoo will remain open this weekend before closing on Monday. This will be the last opportunity for visitors to enjoy the annual Zoo Lights event, which ends on Sunday, January 5.

The Zoo will be closed to the public from Monday, January 6 through Friday, January 17 for annual maintenance. Work planned during the annual closure includes removal of Zoo Lights displays, minor repairs, painting, and deep cleaning in buildings throughout the Zoo. Visitor services, retail, and food and beverage operations within the Zoo will also be closed during this time.

After the closure, the Zoo will re-open on Saturday, January 18 and resume regular daytime hours of operation (open daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

BIOMES AT THE LEAF: Closed January 13 – 15 and January 27 – 29, 2025

*The biomes will remain open daily until January 12. This will be the last opportunity for visitors to enjoy the current display – *Birdsong & Boughs: A Holiday Migration*.*

The biomes at The Leaf will be closed to the public from Monday, January 13 through Wednesday, January 15, for a display change and garden maintenance.

During the closure, the Babs Asper Display House will be completely transformed in preparation for the opening of *Fleurs de Villes ARTISTE*, which runs from January 16 – 26. The spectacular arts-themed showcase will feature 15 one-of-a-kind fresh floral mannequins created by local floral designers, taking inspiration from Manitoba's vibrant arts and cultural scene. Due to capacity limitations and the anticipated popularity of the *Fleurs de Villes* event, visitors are strongly encouraged to purchase their tickets in advance to avoid disappointment. More information about the event can be found on the Assiniboine Park Conservancy [website](#).

At the end of the *Fleurs de Villes ARTISTE* show, the biomes will be closed again from January 27 – 29, while The Leaf horticulture team once again transforms the Babs Asper Display House in preparation for the opening of a new display – *Blooms in Winter: An Orchid Celebration*. The biomes will re-open on Thursday, January 30 and resume regular hours of operation (open daily from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.).

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