

Star Wars Day at the Sacramento Zoo Popular event back for a second year

WHAT'S HAPPENING: Meet your favorite Star Wars characters without making a trip to a galaxy far, far away. This Sacramento Zoo will bring the big screen to life with a visit from characters like Darth Vader, Kylo Ren, BB-8, R2-D2, Stormtroopers and other fan favorites. The day's festivities will also focus on conservation and education with Star Wars-themed enrichments for the animals and children's crafts. Visitors should anticipate large crowds throughout the day.

The morning will also include a special character breakfast with Star Wars characters. Tickets for the breakfast are sold out.

WHERE: Sacramento Zoo, at the corner of Land Park Dr. and Sutterville Rd. in William Land Park.

WHEN: Saturday, April 29, 9 am to 4 pm.

COST: Special event ticket required. \$15 per adult, \$10 youth 2-11. Purchase tickets in advance as the day will be busy. To purchase tickets, visit saczoo.org/starwarsday.

VISUALS: A variety of visual opportunities and interviews will be available during the event. Star Wars characters, animals receiving Star Wars-themed enrichments, a Star Wars breakfast in the morning, and a busy crowd filled with costumed visitors throughout the day. Call Tonja Candelaria to schedule an interview, 916-808-7446.



April 29, will mark the second year of one of the Sacramento Zoo's most popular events, Star Wars Day: May the Forest Be With You. The Zoo will celebrate galaxies near and far with some of your favorite Star Wars characters. Visitors are encouraged to bring their cameras to capture a memorable photo with the costumed characters. Throughout the day Star Wars-themed enrichments and treats will appear in animal exhibits for the residents to enjoy.

Guests will learn how animal adaptations and behaviors in our galaxy relate to the creatures from the Star Wars universe through stage shows, crafts and other activities. The animals will join in on the fun as they enjoy special Star Wars-themed enrichment items throughout the day, and Star Wars music will play on the Conservation Carousel. Themed food items in Kampala Café will include Han-Burgers, Kabobafet, Darth Nachos, Princess Leia Bun, and R2D2 Club Sandwich.

The day is made possible by the 501st Legion, Rebel Legion, Mandalorian Mercs and the R2 Builders Club.

NOTICE: Due to animal safety, you may be asked to remove full head costume pieces in certain areas of the Zoo. Lightsabers are allowed, but cannot be extended over any fences or barriers. Costume blasters and guns are NOT allowed. Visitors should expect high crowds on Star Wars Day.

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Open since 1927, the Sacramento Zoo is home to more than 500 native, rare and endangered animals and is one of more than 200 accredited institutions of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. Located near the corner of Land Park Drive and Sutterville Road in William Land Park, the Zoo is wholly managed by the non-profit Sacramento Zoological Society. This Sacramento treasure inspires conservation awareness through education and recreation. Open daily from 9 am to 5 pm with last admission at 4 pm. General admission is \$14.95; children ages 2-11 are \$9.95 and one and under are admitted free. Parking is free throughout the park or ride Regional Transit bus #6. For information, call 916-808-5888 or visit saczo.org.

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