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Media Release

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Holiday Magic at the Sacramento Zoo Watch as the animals receive holiday gifts



**WHAT'S
HAPPENING:**

The holidays are here and it's time to enjoy the season at the Sacramento Zoo! Bundle up the family and celebrate the festive season during Holiday Magic on Saturday, December 9. Throughout the day, special gifts will be delivered to the animals. See them pounce, tear and stomp into their one-of-a-kind holiday treats. The snow leopard will receive holiday boxes sprinkled with some of her favorite catnip like scents, the Wolf's guenon family will receive pinecone reindeer, the lemurs will enjoy a holiday feast, and so much more!

Guests are also encouraged to bring a donation for the Holiday Drive for Loaves & Fishes to receive \$1 off general zoo admission.

WHERE:

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

WHEN:

Saturday, December 9 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The zoo is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guests may stay on grounds until 5 p.m.

MEDIA VISUALS: This event is full of visuals. There will be large crowds, animals listed below and others interacting with Christmas-themed treats and staff on-hand for interviews. Contact Tonja Candelaria to make arrangements for the day OR to arrange a for a live preview for photos and/or video prior to the event. 209-298-8303 or tcandelaria@saczoo.org.

Other Holiday Happenings at the Sacramento Zoo

Holiday Drive for Loaves & Fishes

November 1 – December 24

Join the Sacramento Zoo in giving back during the season of thanks. Donate combs and brushes, new gloves, gender neutral adult socks, small toiletries, or toothpaste and toothbrushes to the Holiday Drive for Loaves & Fishes at the zoo when you enter and receive \$1 off of admission as a thank you to from the zoo. Discount not valid on ThankZoo.

ThankZoo

Friday, November 24

At this time of Thanksgiving celebrations, our thoughts turn gratefully to you, our community, with warm appreciation. As a special thank you, everyone will receive child-priced admission the day after Thanksgiving. Purchase a zoo membership at the zoo to receive \$10-off, only available during ThankZoo.

Pumpkin Smash

Friday, November 24

Sacramento Zoo residents will have a smashing good time when they receive seasonal pumpkins filled with tasty treats to eat, play with, bounce, tear apart, and smash. Keep an eye out for the unscheduled enrichments throughout the day at ThankZoo.

Pajama Party - Free Day

Sunday, December 24

Wear your PJs and celebrate Christmas Eve at the zoo! Invite your friends and neighbors to this free admission day. Zoo closes early at 1:30 p.m.

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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. Daily admission is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., zoo grounds are open until 5 p.m. 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 saczoo.org.

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