

Celebrate Earth Day at Assiniboine Park Zoo's Party for the Planet April 22-24

For Immediate Release: Winnipeg, April 20, 2022 – The Assiniboine Park Conservancy is pleased to invite the community to celebrate Earth Day at Assiniboine Park Zoo from April 22 – 24. A variety of family-friendly activities have been planned to mark this important day of action and awareness.

"Earth Day is a perfect time to experience the wonders of nature and be inspired to live in a way that conserves it for the future," said Renata Machado, Sustainability Specialist at Assiniboine Park Conservancy. "We will be sharing our passion for wildlife, biodiversity, and protecting the environment over the weekend at the Park and Zoo."

Party for the Planet | Friday, April 22 – Sunday, April 24

Become an environmental superhero! This weekend visitors can learn about the animals at the Zoo and participate in activities that inspire them to care for the planet.

The following activities will take place in the Zoo:

- **Daily Zoo Chats** Hang out with our animal care team as they chat about our polar bears, snow leopards, wolves, and other awesome creatures.
- Interactive conservation and research discovery stops Learn about local birds and pollinators and how you can be involved in research projects.
- Art activities Create art with reused and recycled materials, presented by ArtsJunktion.
- **Indigenous storytelling** Learn about the importance of caring from the Earth from an Indigenous Elder.
- Appearances from environmental superheroes Grab your camera and take a selfie with our costumed characters, Captain Earth and Mother Nature Princess.
- **Big games** Enjoy games like giant Jenga, a recycle relay, and a dry dunk tank.

PLUS: Friday, April 22 is a school in-service day! Take 25% off child admission on Friday.

All activities are free with regular Zoo admission. For more information and schedule of events, visit the <u>Zoo website</u>. Not all activities are offered on all days.

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