

## **NEWS**

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## ILLUMINATURE RETURNS TO FRESNO CHAFFEE ZOO FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

**FRESNO, CA** — Fresno Chaffee Zoo is thrilled to bring back IllumiNature for this year's holiday season. Experience the Zoo in a new light with hundreds of uniquely designed, handmade lanterns glowing throughout the Zoo! Let the nature, interactive, and cultural lanterns illuminate your night as you enjoy this spectacular event.

Thanks to our sponsors, Pepsi and US Bank, you can experience a night of holiday festivities at the Zoo. This seasonal tradition features delicious holiday inspired foods, drinks, and photos with Santa. This event will take place on select dates from November to January and will run from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on those dates. Don't miss out on this exclusive holiday tradition that is sure to be a seasonal favorite. Get your tickets today on Fresno Chaffee Zoo's website: IllumiNature Tickets

**Igloos:** The Zoo is bringing back the magical experience of igloos. Guests can rent their very own private igloo where they can cozy up in a warm and festively decorated space with a stunning view of our vibrant array of lanterns, as well as exclusive access to holiday treats. For more information on igloo rentals and tickets, click here: <u>Igloo Info</u>

**Early Bird Tours:** Guests also have the opportunity this year to join us for an IllumiNature: Early Bird Tour. During this evening Zoo adventure, guests will join a Behind the Scenes Interpreter for an outdoor tour of the Zoo and festive lanterns before the IllumiNature event starts. End your tour with a hot chocolate beverage from the Kudu Café and a holiday treat, then enjoy the IllumiNature event!

**Birthday Parties:** Brand new this year is the opportunity to host your birthday party during the IllumiNature show on Fridays in December and January. For the first time ever, guests can celebrate their birthdays in the Zoo's Tonle Classroom while the lights and lanterns sparkle around the Zoo.

For more information on IllumiNature, visit Fresno Chaffee Zoo's website: <a href="https://fcz.org/">https://fcz.org/</a>

## Show Dates for IllumiNature:

- November 20, 21 Zoo Members Only Night
- November 22-26
- November 28-30
- December 4-7
- December 9 Sniffari Night
- December 11-23
- December 26-30
- January 2-10
- January 16-18
- January 23, 24
- January 30, 31

## **Ticket Prices:**

- November-December
  - Member Adults: \$23.00
  - Non-Member Adults: \$25.00
  - o All Children (Ages 2-11): \$19.00
- January
  - Member Adults: \$18.00
  - o Non-Member Adults: \$20.00
  - o All Children (Ages 2-11): \$17.00

**FOR MEDIA:** We will be hosting a media night preview before the public opening of the show on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 5PM to 8PM. If you would like to attend, please RSVP with Communications Coordinator, Gia Krupens, at <a href="mailto:gkrupens@fcz.org">gkrupens@fcz.org</a>.

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