



# PRIVATE EVENTS



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# VENUES & FEES

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## Canopy Grove

This expansive outdoor venue in African Adventure is surrounded by the sights and sounds of the African savanna, where giraffes graze and rhinos stroll across the landscape. Canopy Grove's breathtaking setting is perfect for large-scale events from company picnics to elegant evening galas to lively corporate celebrations.

### 75 - 800 Guests

*(Minimum - Maximum Seating)*

**\$1,750.00 Daytime** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

**\$3,500.00 Evening** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 100 guests:

- 10 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables or 72" Round Tables
- 100 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Event Garden

An outdoor venue in the heart of the Zoo accommodates our larger parties and is perfect for high-energy events and unforgettable dance floor moments. Designed with entertainment in mind, Event Garden features ample room for a live band or DJ setup, a large dance floor, and flexible seating or standing arrangements.

### 100 - 800 Guests

*(Minimum - Maximum Seating)*

**\$3,500.00 Evening Only** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 100 guests:

- 10 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables or 72" Round Tables
- 100 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Kopje Lodge

This exclusive, covered venue offers a breathtaking view of the sweeping grasslands and majestic wildlife on the savanna in African Adventure —a truly unforgettable atmosphere. This evening venue is ideal for private dinners or corporate receptions with a touch of adventure.

### 100 - 250 Guests

*(Minimum - Maximum Seating)*

**\$6,500.00 Evening Only** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

\* Rental fee includes the following:

- Existing Tables and Chairs and Security Personnel
- + Additional \$1,000.00 for custom set up

## Sea Lion Cove

Be transported to the California coast with the sound of gentle waves and our beautiful harbor seal and California sea lion exhibit as your backdrop adding a lively, coastal charm to your gathering. The venue offers an engaging and interactive backdrop for receptions, family-friendly events, or ocean-themed celebrations. Whether, you're hosting a casual mixer or a sophisticated soirée, the energy of the exhibit brings an unforgettable, sea-swept atmosphere to any occasion.

### 50 Guests

*(Maximum Seating)*

**\$3,000.00 Evening Only**

\* Rental fee includes the following for up to 50 guests:

- 5 72" Round Tables
- 50 Fruitwood Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel

## Simba Room

Overlooking the lion exhibit in African Adventure, this indoor venue has a cozy fireplace and is adorned with African artifacts. Ideal for corporate meetings, cocktail receptions, or milestone celebrations, the venue blends comfort with the thrill of the wild. Guests can enjoy close-up views of the lions in a secure, climate-controlled setting that sparks conversation and sets the stage for a truly unique experience.

### 45 Guests

*(Maximum Seating)*

**\$800.00 Daytime Corporate Package**

**\$2,500.00 Evening Event**

\* Daytime Corporate Package includes up to 7 hours in venue.

\* Rental fee includes the following for up to 45 guests:

- Tables and Chairs

## Jungle Bungalow

Nestled in a tranquil outdoor setting outfitted with teak tables and chairs, Jungle Bungalow is a great option for corporate retreats, team luncheons, or intimate gatherings. This fun venue is located close by guest favorite spots: Dino Dig, Wilderness Falls, Winged Wonders Bird Show, and more!

### 50 Guests

*(Maximum Seating)*

**\$800.00 Daytime Weekday**

**\$1,500.00 Evening**

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 50 guests:

- Tables and Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Tonle Gallery

Located in the heart of Kingdoms of Asia, Tonle Gallery is a great fit for small corporate meetings or private celebrations, offering guests a unique chance to connect with some of Asia's most fascinating wildlife in a tranquil, climate-controlled environment. Get a close up look into two of our exhibits through the viewing windows located in the venue while surrounded by lush Asian-themed décor, the space blends cultural ambiance with the thrill of observing these remarkable animals up close.

### 70 Guests

(Maximum Seating)

**\$1,000.00 Daytime Corporate Package**

**\$3,000.00 Evening Event**

\* Daytime Corporate Package includes up to 7 hours in venue.

\* Rental fee includes the following:

- Tables and Chairs for up to 40 guests
- Cocktail Style for up to 70 guests
- Theater Style Seating in Chairs for up to 60 Guests

## Valley Farm

Bring a touch of country charm to your next event at this relaxed outdoor venue, located across from the Valley Farm exhibit. Perfect for casual celebrations, family gatherings, or corporate events, this venue offers an atmosphere that guests of all ages will love.

### 100 - 400 Guests

(Minimum - Maximum Seating)

**\$1,750.00 Daytime** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

**\$3,500.00 Evening** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 100 guests:

- 10 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables or 72" Round Tables
- 100 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Zoo Buyouts

Experience the Zoo with a private, evening takeover that is a fantastic option for large companies looking to host a one-of-a-kind experience. Guests will enjoy exclusive access to immersive animal encounters—including feeding gentle giraffes, touching stingrays, and watching the Winged Wonders Bird Show up close in a truly unforgettable way. With the zoo all to yourself, it's a night where wild memories are made.

### 4,000 Guests

(Maximum Attendance)

**\$50,000 for up to 2,000 guests** + \$25.00 per person over 2,000 guests

Ask your Event Sales Representative for more information on what is included.

## Kingdoms of Asia

Transport your guests to the enchanting world of Southeast Asia with an exclusive evening event in the breathtaking, Kingdoms of Asia. Inspired by the iconic Angkor Wat temple in Cambodia, this immersive venue showcases expansive exhibits featuring majestic Malayan tigers, formidable Komodo dragons, elusive sloth bears, melodious Asian songbirds, and more. Kingdoms of Asia blends stunning cultural theming with vibrant wildlife, creating a captivating atmosphere for cocktail receptions, private celebrations, or special corporate dinners.

### 100 - 300 Guests

(Minimum - Maximum Seating)

**\$6,500.00 Evening Only** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 100 guests:

- 10 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables or 72" Round Tables
- 100 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Malayan Tapir Deck

This unique outdoor venue offers views of the Malayan tapir habitat, creating a serene and immersive backdrop for your event. Surrounded by lush greenery and the gentle presence of one of Southeast Asia's most iconic creatures, this space is perfect for intimate gatherings, corporate functions, and luncheons.

### 100 Guests

(Maximum Seating)

**\$1,500.00 Daytime Weekday**

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 100 guests:

- 10 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables or 72" Round Tables
- 100 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

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### Daytime Events - 2 Hours | 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Daytime Events are two hours and held between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Daytime events require daytime event ticket purchases

### Evening Events - 3 Hours | 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Evening Events are three hours and held between 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

# DAYTIME EVENT TICKETS

## Tuesday - Thursday

Numbers of Guests		Adults (Age 12 and up)		Children (Age 2-11)	
1 to 19	.....	\$20.95	.....	\$12.95	
20 to 99	.....	\$20.50	.....	\$12.50	
100 to 299	.....	\$20.05	.....	\$12.05	
300 to 499	.....	\$19.60	.....	\$11.60	
500 to 999	.....	\$19.15	.....	\$11.15	
1000+	.....	\$18.70	.....	\$10.70	

## Friday - Monday

Numbers of Guests		Adults (Age 12 and up)		Children (Age 2-11)	
1 to 19	.....	\$23.95	.....	\$15.95	
20 to 99	.....	\$23.50	.....	\$15.50	
100 to 299	.....	\$23.05	.....	\$15.05	
300 to 499	.....	\$22.60	.....	\$14.60	
500 to 999	.....	\$22.15	.....	\$14.15	
1000+	.....	\$21.70	.....	\$13.70	



# RENTAL EQUIPMENT

The venues may require the rental of additional equipment, including extra tables, chairs and canopies not included in your site fee. Your FCZ Event Sales Representative will determine how much rental equipment is needed and will facilitate the reservation, set-up, and removal of this equipment.

## Additional Event Rentals and Services

**Amphitheater Fee**  
**\$750.00**

**Security Personnel**  
**\$150.00** - Three Hour Minimum

**8' Rectangular Banquet Table**  
**\$7.50** - Over standard set up per area

**72" Round Table**  
**\$15.00** - Table over standard set up per area

**Folding Chairs**  
**\$1.00** - Over standard set up per area

**Specialty Chairs**  
*Inquire with Event Sales Representative*

**10' x 10' Tents**  
**\$35.00** Each

**Golf Cart Service**  
**\$500**

*Available for evening events only*

**Speaker System with Wireless Microphone**  
**\$250**

**Lawn Games - \$100**  
*Corn Hole*  
*Giant Jenga*  
*+ more!*

**Miscellaneous**  
*Heaters*  
*Dance Floor*  
*Market Umbrellas*  
*Wash Lights*

**Delivery Fees**  
*To be determined per rental order*





# WILD DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

Enhance your guests' Zoo experience by selecting one or more of the following animal activities. Guests can enjoy these interactive and educational presentations as part of their entertainment. Everyone will have a wild time!



## Animal Ambassadors

Add some excitement to your event with the addition of some real animals! Various small animals such as snakes, hedgehogs and tortoises will greet guests as they enter or visit the event with a Zoological Care Specialist who will be happy to answer questions and provide information regarding each animal.

**\$200.00** for 45 Minutes



## Giraffe Feeding Station

Guests will have the thrill of a lifetime at Twiga Terrace. Get eye to eye with Fresno's tallest residents while their long tongues grab lettuce right from your hand.

**\$5.00** per Giraffe Feeding Ticket



## Stingray Bay

Guests will delight in oceans of fun with this experience! In addition to the stingrays, there will be two species of small docile sharks. This attraction gets you up-close and personal with exotic sea life.

**\$5.00** per Ticket Admission

**Your Event Sales Representative will coordinate all the details and create a schedule of events to ensure that not only the guests have fun, but the host as well!**

*\*Please ask Event Sales Representative for more information on seasonal exhibitions*





# EXOTIC EVENING OPPORTUNITIES

This is an opportunity to show your guests the evening is truly all about them and have the experience of a lifetime. These special animal options are made available only for your guests the evening of your event.\*



## Stingray Bay

Guests will delight in oceans of fun with this experience! In addition to the stingrays, there will be two species of small docile sharks. This attraction gets you up-close and personal with exotic sea life. You can even feed these gentle rays, who are as curious about you as you are about them.

**\$500.00** for one hour | Recommended for groups under 200 guests.

**\$750.00** for two hours | Recommended for groups between 200 and 500 guests.

**\$3.00** per person for food | Available for groups of 50 guests or less.



## Giraffe Feeding Station

Guests will have the thrill of a lifetime at Twiga Terrace. Get eye to eye with Fresno's tallest residents while their long tongues grab lettuce right from your hand.

**\$350.00** per hour

+ **\$5.00** per feeding



## Valley Farm

Valley Farm gives you and your little ones the opportunity to get up-close with our barnyard goats and learn about agriculture.

**\$400.00** per hour



## Reptile House

Find a wide variety of reptiles and amphibians, including lizards, salamanders, turtles, frogs, and, of course, snakes! Get an up-close look while learning all about these scaly, hoppy, and unique species from around the world.

**\$300.00**





## Sea Lion Cove Presentation

Watch FCZ's talented sea lions and our adorable harbor seals as they demonstrate a variety of impressive behaviors in our beautiful Sea Lion Cove exhibit. Guests will appreciate the grace, playfulness, and intelligence of our seals and sea lions while you watch them with their experienced trainers.

**\$500.00** for 20 minute presentation

Available for groups under 75 guests.



## Winged Wonders Bird Show

Enjoy this incredible free-flight bird show that is designed to promote awareness of the natural behavior of birds.

Entertaining for groups of all ages.

**\$600.00**



## Sloth Bear Enrichment

Get a firsthand look as the sloth bears dig into some engaging enrichment. Guests will enjoy watching the sloth bears interact with different items, like a puzzle feeder, while a Conservation Interpreter answers questions and shares fun facts for the first thirty minutes.

**\$750.00**



## Big Cat Carcass Feed

Watch in wonder as the lions or tigers show off their strength and agility during a carcass feed. A dedicated Conservation Interpreter will be available to share interesting facts and answer questions for the first thirty minutes.

**\$2,000**



## Animal Ambassadors

Add some excitement to your event with the addition of some real animals! Various small animals such as snakes, hedgehogs and tortoises will greet guests as they enter or visit the event with a zoological care specialist who will be happy to answer questions and provide information regarding each animal.

**\$200.00** for 45 Minutes

*\*Animal Experiences must be pre-approved and scheduled at the discretion of the Animal Care team. Animal Experiences may be cancelled at any time due to weather or any other animal welfare concerns.*





# VENDORS

## APPROVED CATERERS

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### **Taste** *(In-House Caterer)*

Tracie Sengrath Quevedo - Director of Catering Sales  
Office: 559.492.4425 - Mobile: 559.579.9749.

### **Pardini's Catering**

559.224.3188 | [pardiniscatering.com](http://pardiniscatering.com)

*\* Once you select a caterer, the Event Sales Representative will connect you to the catering team.*

## PREFERRED VENDORS

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### **Party Rentals**

Expo Event Productions | 559.495.3300 | [expopartyrentals.com](http://expopartyrentals.com)

### **DJs and Lighting**

Light Up the Walls | 559.355.0727 | [lightupthewalls.com](http://lightupthewalls.com)

### **Décor/Decoration**

KSB Company | 559.273.3733 | [ksbcompany@aol.com](mailto:ksbcompany@aol.com)

### **Activities**

Smiley Photo Booths | 559.549.3356 | [info@smileyphotobooths.com](mailto:info@smileyphotobooths.com)

Fresno Fancy Faces | 559.260.4049 | [fresnofancyfaces@yahoo.com](mailto:fresnofancyfaces@yahoo.com)



## Outside Vendors

The FCZ Event Sales Representative can assist with recommendations for outside vendors. All outside vendors must be preapproved by FCZ at least three weeks prior to the event. All outside vendors are required to sign FCZ's vendor/contractor code of conduct.

- Vendors must provide proof of insurance and are required to adhere FCZ rules and regulations.
- Vendors are required to remove all items immediately following the event. FCZ is not liable for equipment or decorations deposited prior, during or after an event.
- Vendors must arrange delivery times, loading areas, set up locations, and pick up schedules prior to the event with FCZ Event Sales Representative.
- **All vendors must adhere to FCZ's policy on plastic.**

## Decorations

To ensure the health and safety of our animals all decorations must be approved by FCZ in advance. The following items are not permitted in the Zoo: balloons of any kind, stickers, crayons, mylar confetti, rice, bird seed, glass or aluminum containers, straws of any kind, sticks, roller skates/blades, skateboards, tiki torches or open flame, candy with sticks, and domestic animals (*except service animals*).

## Parking

Event guests are required to pay the Roeding Park parking fee designated on the day of the event, which is mandated by the City of Fresno. For more information on how to purchase parking for your guests, ask your Event Sales Representative.

## Policy Regarding Music

Under federal copyright law, when copyrighted music is performed in any establishment, regardless of whether it's on TVs, radio, recorded, streamed, on a jukebox or performed by a live band, DJ or karaoke, the business owner (Fresno Chaffee Zoo) must obtain permission from the copyright owner. All songs played at Fresno Chaffee Zoo must be 100% licensed by BMI and ASCAP to be played. The entire repertoire of music by song title, artist, songwriter, composer or publisher, including songs that are licensed by BMI and ASCAP can be found at <https://www.bmi.com/special/songview>. Vendors and clients must provide a setlist two weeks prior to the event for Fresno Chaffee Zoo to check the validity of the licensing. Any song requests on the day of the event must be run through the Songview website to verify the song is 100% licensed by BMI and ASCAP. Failure to comply with BMI and ASCAP Licensing on Fresno Chaffee Zoo grounds may result in a monetary fine to the vendor or client.





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **Do you provide tables and chairs?**

Your venue fee includes a set number of tables and chairs (see page 2). If additional rentals are needed, we will assist you in acquiring the desired equipment.

## **Is linen provided for tables?**

The caterer can provide basic linens or linens can be rented through your Event Sales Representative.

## **What forms of payment do you accept?**

We accept personal checks, all major credit cards and money orders.

## **When is the final guest count and payment due?**

An estimated guest count and deposit is due at the time of booking. The final guest count is due seven (7) working days prior to the event. Payment in full is due five (5) working days prior to the event. A post-event invoice will be issued after your event if any additional charges are incurred.

## **If I cancel my event, is my deposit refundable?**

A portion of the deposit may be refundable in the event of a cancellation. (See contract)

## **Am I able to have a bar at my event?**

Yes, alcohol is permitted for Group Events. All alcohol must be arranged through our approved caterers.

## **When do I have access to the event site for set up?**

Access is given at the discretion of the Event Sales Representative depending on the complexity of the set up and prior events/bookings at the venue site.

## **Are my guests allowed to come into the Zoo earlier than my specified evening event time?**

Guests are allowed to enter the Zoo one hour prior to your event time for evening events. If you would like guests to be allowed to enter the Zoo earlier, additional hours are available at \$500 per hour.

## **Is there a minimum charge for food?**

The minimum amount is \$20 per person per event excluding service charge and sales tax. Catering prices are set by the caterer. For details on pricing and minimums please contact the caterer you selected.

## **Are there specific times when I can host an event?**

We customize each event to the client's specifications allowing two (2) hours for breakfasts or luncheons, three (3) hours for dinners, and four (4) hours for weddings and receptions. Additional hours are \$500 per hour.