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**MARYLAND ZOO TO OPEN EARLY ON WEEKENDS MAY 6th THROUGH LABOR DAY**  
*-- Also open late the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month through September --*

**BALTIMORE, MD** – Beginning Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, the Zoo will open to guests 30 minutes early at 9:30 a.m. each Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Labor Day Weekend. Closing time remains 4:00 p.m., with the exception of the second Saturday of each month when we will once again host “After Hours with the Animals.”

“After Hours with the Animals” will be held on May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13 and September 10. On those evenings the Zoo will remain open until 7:00 p.m. Admission will be reduced to \$10 per person after 4:00 p.m.

For additional information on Zoo hours or special events and activities, please visit [www.marylandzoo.org](http://www.marylandzoo.org)

**About The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore**

Founded in 1876, The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is the third oldest zoo in the United States and is internationally known for its contributions in conservation and research. More than 1,500 animals are represented in the Zoo’s varied natural habitat exhibits such as the new Penguin Coast, Polar Bear Watch, the Maryland Wilderness, African Journey and the award-winning Children’s Zoo. Situated in Druid Hill Park near downtown Baltimore, the Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums. For more information, visit [www.marylandzoo.org](http://www.marylandzoo.org).

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