MARYLAND ZOO

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MARYLAND ZOO ADMISSION DROPS WITH THE TEMPERATURES

-- Beginning December 1, all tickets \$12 through February 2019 --

BALTIMORE, MD – As the weather outside turns frightful, The Maryland Zoo will remain delightful with discounted winter pricing and a special holiday-themed train ride.

From Saturday, December 1, 2018, until February 28, 2019, admission will be \$12 per person, with children under two and Zoo members still free. Hours remain 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. **The Zoo will be closed on Christmas Day.**

The Zoo's Jones Falls Zephyr transforms for the holiday season on Sunday, Dec. 9, and Sunday, Dec. 16. All aboard the Polar Bear Express! Guest can ride the train *with* Santa at 11:30 a.m., 12:30, 1:30, and 2:30 p.m. each day. Riders will learn about nature around the North Pole – such as Arctic foxes and the Zoo's two new polar bears, Neva and Amelia Gray. In between rides, Santa and his special Zoo mascot friends will be available to hear holiday wishes and for free photos (bring your own camera!). Train tickets are \$5 per rider, \$4 for Zoo Members.

Beginning Monday, January 1, 2019, and continuing through Wednesday, February 28, the Zoo will be open four days a week - Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday - from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The Zoo will resume 7-day-a-week operations and regular ticket pricing on March 1, 2019. Visit our website at <u>www.MarylandZoo.org</u> or Facebook

(<u>www.facebook.com/marylandzoo</u>) for Polar Bear Express details, up-to-date information on the Zoo in the winter, and possible weather-related closings.

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 in areas such as the award-winning Penguin Coast, Polar Bear Watch, the Maryland Wilderness, African Journey and the 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 <u>www.marylandzoo.org</u>.

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