

## **Public Service Announcement**

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## Make a Connection Become a Toronto Zoo Volunteer

Wednesday September 17, 2009, Toronto, Ontario: Toronto Zoo today announced its annual recruitment for new Year-round Volunteers. We are recruiting dynamic and outgoing adults to join their vibrant and dedicated team of Volunteers educating and inspiring visitors and promoting wildlife conservation. Meet like-minded people and share your zest for life at the Zoo, recently voted the GTA's favourite attraction!

Zoo Volunteers receive free admission to the Zoo with a guest, exclusive Volunteer recognition events, newsletters, free parking, admission perks at Toronto's top attractions and the opportunity to be a part of Canada's premier zoo family. Volunteers help out one day per week at the Zoo site enhancing the visitors' experiences. They lead guided tours, inspire visitors at touch tables, present outreach programs, and assist at special events. Volunteers do not handle plants or animals. The deadline for applications is Friday September 25, 2009. Check out the Zoo's web site at torontozoo.com or call 416-392-5942 for an application.

Toronto Zoo Year-round Volunteer applications are always available on the Zoo's web site or by mail and are due annually by the last Friday in September. Applicants are screened and interviewed and selected individuals are invited to a training program taking place once a week (weekday and weekend classes available). Training encompasses animal knowledge and interpretation techniques and includes informative seminars, lively discussions, and practical assignments.

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The Zoo is located in Scarborough on Meadowvale Road north of Hwy. 401, Exit 389 east or west bound. Hours of operation are 9:00 am -6:00 pm with last admissions at 5:00 pm. General Admission (ages 13-64) is \$21, Children (ages 4-12) \$13, Seniors (aged 65+) \$15, Children ages 3 and under are free. Parking is \$8. Events and admission prices subject to change without notice. For general information, call (416) 392-5929.