

## Assiniboine Park Zoo Getting Ready to Host a Weekend of Family Fun in Honour of Louis Riel Day

**For immediate release**: Winnipeg, February 13, 2020 – The Assiniboine Park Zoo is preparing for a busy weekend that includes Valentine's Day themed treats for polar bears and discounted admission on Louis Riel Day.

"This is a great weekend to discover your passion for polar bears and spend some quality time with loved ones at the Zoo," said Laura Cabak, Manager, Communications & Public Relations, Assiniboine Park Conservancy. "The Zoo is home to a variety of animals that thrive in winter and plenty of indoor spaces where visitors can warm up, making it the perfect place for family fun this weekend."

The following activities will take place this weekend at the Zoo.

## Breakfast with the Bears | Sunday, February 16

Breakfast will be available for purchase from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Tundra Grill, which offers amazing views of the Zoo's largest polar bear habitat. The polar bears will enjoy some Valentine's Day themed enrichment at 10:00 a.m., which will be followed by a Zoo Chat at 10:30 a.m. with a member of the animal care team. Regular Zoo admission applies. Breakfast at the Tundra Grill must be purchased separately.

## Louis Riel Discount Day | Monday, February 17

 On Monday, admission for adults and seniors will be reduced to \$14 + GST and children ages 4 and under are free.

The Zoo is home to a variety of animals native to cold and mountainous regions of the world. This includes northern species like polar bears, muskoxen, wolves and Arctic fox as well as species from other parts of the world such as Amur tigers, snow leopards, and alpine ibex.

The Zoo has a number of indoor exhibits where visitors can warm up and view the animals, including the Kinsmen Discovery Centre, Gibbon Pavilion, Stingray Beach, Gateway to the Arctic and Toucan Ridge. This weekend, Zoo Chats will be offered in the Kinsmen Discovery Centre at 11:00 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday.

Assiniboine Park Zoo is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Full promotion details can be found online at <u>assiniboineparkzoo.ca</u>.