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**SPECIAL TWO-DAY COMBO TICKET TO VISIT
L.A. ZOO AND AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC THIS FALL/WINTER
INCLUDES HALLOWEEN AND HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS
AT BOTH DESTINATIONS**

**BOO AT THE ZOO and REINDEER ROMP at Zoo
and SCARIUM OF THE PACIFIC and HOLIDAY TREATS FOR THE ANIMALS at Aquarium
Among Special Fall/Winter Activities,
Along with Opportunities to See
Zoo Jaguars in New Rainforest Home and
Aquarium's New *Jellies* Exhibits**

**October through December 2015
Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens
and Aquarium of the Pacific**

June 4, 2015, Long Beach, CA/Los Angeles, CA—A special [two-day combo ticket](#) for the Los Angeles Zoo and Aquarium of the Pacific in Southern California this fall and winter includes Halloween and holiday celebrations at both destinations along with opportunities to see the Zoo's jaguars in their new Rainforest of the Americas home and the Aquarium's new *Jellies* exhibits. BOO AT THE ZOO in October and REINDEER ROMP from late November through early January at the Zoo and SCARIUM OF THE PACIFIC in October and HOLIDAY TREATS FOR THE ANIMALS in December at the Aquarium are among special fall/winter activities enjoyed by visitors via the discounted combo ticket, which can be used on one day or separate days. It can be purchased online or at either attraction with current pricing at \$39 per adult (12+), \$26 per child, and \$38 per senior (ages 62+).

Halloween-related fun begins with **BOO AT THE L.A. ZOO (October 17-18 and 24-25)**, which promises trick-or-treating, jack-o-lantern-carving demonstrations, strolling characters, entertainment and up-close encounters with "crawly" insects and reptiles. Across town, the **AQUARIUM'S SCARIUM OF THE PACIFIC (OCTOBER 24-25)** is the 16th annual "spooktacular" weekend for the whole family, offering a children's costume contest, creepy coloring contest, face painting, magic shows, underwater pumpkin carving, spooky storytelling, kooky crafts, eerie animals in the Great Hall, and much more.

During the holiday season, **the AQUARIUM** hosts **HOLIDAY TREATS FOR THE ANIMALS (DECEMBER 5-6)** as "Santa Diver" delivers an ocean of gifts to Aquarium penguins, sea otters, seals, sea lions, lorikeet birds, and fish while guests watch. Also featured are holiday music, crafts, special presentations, unique photo opportunities, shopping, and festive seasonal decorations. Meanwhile, **L.A. ZOO** visitors are bound to appreciate the only opportunity to see real reindeer in Los Angeles at **REINDEER ROMP (daily except Christmas Day, November 27, 2015, through January 3, 2016)**. Festivities on weekends include a flurry of seasonal flourishes and photos with Santa Claus.

At both the Los Angeles Zoo and Aquarium of the Pacific, ongoing exhibits offer insight into the importance of environmental conservation on land and in the ocean. Visitors to each institution can explore exhibits and attend presentations to find out ways to help protect the planet for the benefit of humans and animals. Just recently, **L.A. ZOO** jaguars moved into a brand new home built on a hillside and landscaped with tall grass and shrubs, deadwood trees and a waterfall. This habitat is set within the Zoo's year-old Rainforest of the Americas, an extraordinary collection of endangered and exotic mammals, reptiles, fish and amphibians living in exhibit spaces that exemplify their natural habitat in the rainforest biosphere and replicate their natural homes in Mexico, Central and South America. New *Jellies* exhibits are now open at the **AQUARIUM**, inviting guests to delve into the mysterious world of sea jellies while learning about their importance. Often referred to as "jellyfish," sea jellies are actually invertebrates or animals with no backbones, hearts, or brains. These sea creatures have existed on this planet before the time of the dinosaurs, and some species can indicate if ocean water is clean while others indicate if it is polluted. *Jellies* features the opportunity to explore the amazing life of these gelatinous animals through new exhibits, educational programs, films, a fall art exhibit and more. Ever wondered what a jelly feels like? You can even safely touch them at the Aquarium, too.

The landmark **LOS ANGELES ZOO AND BOTANICAL GARDENS**, drawing 1.6 million visitors each year, is home to a diverse collection of 1,100 animals representing 250 different species, many of which are rare or endangered. Its lush grounds on 113 acres feature the LAIR (Living Amphibians, Invertebrates, and Reptiles); Elephants of Asia; Campo Gorilla Reserve; Rainforest of the Americas, an extraordinary collection of endangered and exotic mammals, reptiles, fish and amphibians living in spaces that exemplify their natural habitat in the rainforest biosphere; Tom Mankiewicz Conservation Carousel; an Indian Rhino Encounter direct-contact opportunity; Chimpanzees of Mahale Mountains, home to one of the largest troops of chimpanzees in the United States; Red Ape Rain Forest where visitors can walk among orangutans; the Winnick Family Children's Zoo; one of the largest flocks of flamingos in any zoo in the world; a botanical collection comprising over 800 different plant species with approximately 7,000 individual plants; and much more. Accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), whose members meet rigorous professional standards for animal welfare, the Zoo has achieved renown as an international leader in the preservation of endangered species and a conservation center for the care and study of wildlife. The Zoo, open daily except Christmas Day from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., is located in Griffith Park. For more information call (323) 644-4200 or visit www.lazoo.org.

The **AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC**, a nonprofit AZA-accredited institution, is dedicated to conserving nature and its resources by building relationships among people. Home to over 11,000 animals and visited by 1.5 million people annually, the Aquarium invites visitors to explore the waters of Southern California and Baja and the Northern and Tropical Pacific. The Aquarium features its interactive Shark Lagoon and Lorikeet Forest aviary, June Keyes Penguin Habitat, hands-on discovery labs, the Molina Animal Care Center, Ocean Science Center, *Wonders of the Deep* gallery, and new *Jellies* exhibits. Beyond its exhibits, the Aquarium offers educational programs for people of all ages, from hands-on activities to lectures by leading scientists. It is a community gathering place where diverse cultures and the arts are celebrated and important topics facing our planet and our ocean are explored by scientists, policymakers, and stakeholders in the search for sustainable solutions. A world of discovery awaits. The Aquarium is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and is closed on December 25 and during the Grand Prix for three days in April. For more information visit aquariumofpacific.org or call (562) 590-3100.

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