



The Zoological
Society of Milwaukee's

SPRING
ZOO
CLASSES

2022



We know you're excited about our classes, and we want to make your child's educational experience rewarding. Please read and familiarize yourself with important information, such as our health and safety precautions and general classroom policies on the last page.

STROLLER SAFARI: STAY AND PLAY

Age infant-2 with one adult | \$20 Zoo Pass members
\$30 non-members

Stroll through the Zoo on these guided tours designed specifically for one-on-one learning time for you and your child! Programs are no-touch and include songs, puppets, stories and more. Each program includes time at our off-exhibit Nature Play site, allowing you and your child to explore the forest together! We recommend wearing close-toed shoes and weather-appropriate gear such as warm coats and mittens. Please bring your stroller along. All classes begin in the atrium of the Conservation Education Center. Tours take place outside snow, rain or shine.

RED, BLUE & YELLOW, TOO!

Discover the sounds and colors of birds at the Zoo's Herb and Nada Mahler Family Aviary. From black-and-white penguins to blue-and-yellow starlings, there are so many colors to see! Hear the squawk of the rhinoceros hornbill and learn a fingerplay to practice color recognition with your little "chick."

8:30-9:30 a.m.

February 19-21, 24, 28
March 3

10:15-11:15 a.m.

February 19-21, 24, 28
March 3

STRIPES, SPOTS OR SOLIDS?

Let's go exploring to find our feline friends! Visit the big cats (and one that is small) as we have some furry fun. Practice pattern recognition, read a tiger book and learn a lion lullaby you can sing with your little "cub."

8:30-9:30 a.m.

March 10, 12, 14, 17, 20, 21, 24, 26, 28, 31
April 3, 4, 7

10:15-11:15 a.m.

March 12, 14, 17, 20, 21, 24, 26, 28, 31
April 3, 4, 7

TRUNKS, TONGUES & TOES

Take a stroll as we visit some of the largest animals in the Zoo. Sing and rhyme as we learn about the long trunk of the elephant, the purple tongue of the giraffe and the huge toes of the hippo. Can you help your little "calf" find their nose, toes and tongue, too?

8:30-9:30 a.m.

April 14-16, 18, 21, 25, 28, 30
May 2, 5, 7-9, 12, 14

10:15-11:15 a.m.

April 15, 16, 18, 21, 25, 28, 30
May 2, 5, 7-9, 12, 14



Photo by Bob Wickland

AGE 3

with one adult | \$28 Zoo Pass members
\$38 non-members

LIONS ... ROAR!

Leap into our African savanna classroom to learn about the majestic lion! Stalk and pounce like a lion in your lion costume. Then prowl over to the Florence Mila Borchert Big Cat Country to see the Zoo's pride of lions.

9:45-11:15 a.m.

February 20, 24, 26, 28
March 1, 3, 6

1-2:30 p.m.

February 20, 24, 26, 27
March 3, 6

ENORMOUS ELEPHANTS

Have tons of fun learning about the Zoo's largest animal, the African elephant! Create an elephant costume with enormous ears, a long trunk and a fly-swatting tail. Practice moving like an elephant, and then stomp over to see the Zoo's elephant herd.

9:45-11:15 a.m.

March 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 27, 29, 31
April 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10

1-2:30 p.m.

March 17, 19, 24, 27, 29
April 2, 3, 7, 9, 10

SEALS & SEA LIONS

Explore our ocean classroom to learn the difference between seals and sea lions. Create your own sea lion costume and hunt for fish in a kelp forest. Splash into the Zoo to learn how zookeepers work with the seals, and then watch them in action!

9:45-11:15 a.m.

April 19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 30
May 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 15

1-2:30 p.m.

April 21, 23, 24, 26, 30
May 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 15

"We love the zoo. We love the staff. The zoo teachers are awesome!"

~Class Participant





Photo by Garrett Hopkins

AGES 4&5

child only or with one adult

\$39 Zoo Pass members
\$49 non-members

Sign up your child for a child-only class or attend with your child in a child & adult class.

ANIMAL DETECTIVES

Mammal, bird, fish, reptile or amphibian? Be a detective and uncover the identity of our mystery animal. Use a magnifying glass to examine evidence like fur, feathers and scales up close. Create an animal decoder and follow clues as we sneak through the Zoo. Let's crack the case!

Child Only
9:15-11:30 a.m.

March 6, 7, 12

1-3:15 p.m.

March 6, 7, 12

Child & Adult
9:15-11:30 a.m.

February 20, 25-27
March 4

1-3:15 p.m.

February 20, 25-27
March 4

JUNIOR VET

Enter our animal hospital classroom to practice the jobs of a veterinarian and create your own vet kit. Check the heartbeat of a pretend kangaroo at the cardiology station. View samples under a microscope at the lab station. Then we'll go to the Animal Health Center to peek into a real exam room and learn how animals are cared for at the Zoo.

Child Only
9:15-11:30 a.m.

April 11, 15, 16

1-3:15 p.m.

April 11, 15, 16

Child & Adult
9:15-11:30 a.m.

March 18-20, 25-27
April 1-3, 8-10

1-3:15 p.m.

March 19, 20, 25-27
April 1-3, 8-1

WHO'S AROUND THE RIVERBEND?

Paddle down our river classroom to learn about animals that live at the water's edge. Gather sticks like a beaver, catch fish like a bear and slide on your belly like an otter! Then head into the Zoo to see the animals who call the river home.

Child Only
9:15-11:30 a.m.

May 13-16

1-3:15 p.m.

May 13-16

Child & Adult
9:15-11:30 a.m.

April 22-25, 29, 30
May 1, 2, 6-8

1-3:15 p.m.

April 23-25, 29, 30
May 1, 2, 6-8

AGES 6-9

child only

\$39 Zoo Pass members
\$49 non-members

FANTASTICAL FISH

What's weirder – a fish that carries its babies inside of its mouth or a fish that can spit water 10 feet? Come face to face with amazing aquatic creatures such as cichlids, archerfish, sturgeon and more in the Zoo's Aquatic & Reptile Center.

Ages 6&7

9:15-11:45 a.m.

March 12

1-3:30 p.m.

March 12

Ages 8&9

9:15-11:45 a.m.

March 6

1-3:30 p.m.

March 6

ANIMALS OF THE AMAZON

WANTED: Daring adventurers ready to explore the Amazon River and rainforest. Discover animals that lurk in the water or make their home in the treetops. Journey to see the Zoo's jaguars, piranhas and anacondas!

Ages 6&7

9:15-11:45 a.m.

April 10
May 14

1-3:30 p.m.

April 10
May 14

Ages 8&9

9:15-11:45 a.m.

May 7, 15

1-3:30 p.m.

May 7, 15

NEW! AGES 6-9

child only

\$240 Zoo Pass members
\$270 non-members

SPRING STAYCATION AT THE ZOO

Join us during Spring Break for **three** fun-filled days where we will explore the natural world and the plants and animals that call it home. Follow your curiosities as you gain a deeper understanding of the habitats and life cycles of your favorite animals at the Zoo.

Ages 6&7

9a.m.-3 p.m.

March 23-25
March 28-30

Ages 8&9

9a.m.-3 p.m.

March 23-25
March 28-30



Photo by Sarah Witt



AGES 10&11

child only

\$39 Zoo Pass members
\$49 non-members

YOU'RE RELATED TO ME?!

Did you know that a blue whale's closest living relative is a hippopotamus? Or that the small hyrax, an animal that looks like a rodent, is related to elephants? Explore the exciting topic of unbelievable relations at the Zoo! Maybe you'll learn something truly incredible!

9:15-11:45 a.m.

February 27
April 16

1-3:30 p.m.

February 27
April 16

FAMILY CLASS

all ages

\$17 Zoo Pass members
\$27 non-members

NEW! EARTH PROTECTORS

Have you ever wondered what your family can do to protect the Earth? In celebration of Earth Day on April 22, come learn about amazing animals, tiny or humongous, that live on this Earth and what a harmonious Earth provides us with. Walk away from this class with actions you can take to help protect our Earth a little more.

9:30-11:45 a.m.

April 23, 24

1:00-3:15 p.m.

April 23, 24

While we welcome family members of all ages, the content of this class is intended for children ages 3-14. Minimum of two registrants required and must include one adult (18 years or older) and one child. Children under the age of 1 are free to attend and do not need to be registered.

Photo by Paul Ruffolo



Register Online For Priority

[ZOOSOCIETY.ORG/SPRING](https://zoosociety.org/spring)

Member registration begins January 19 at 9 a.m.

Non-member registration begins January 26 at 9 a.m.

PLEASE READ!

COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY

We are continually assessing community indicators to inform us of our status, and are reimagining Zoo Classes with reduced class sizes to ensure an engaging and safe experience for all. Classes that were offered in prior years may have modifications due to health and safety precautions, staffing limitations and/or innovation. Our health and safety policies and best practices can be found online at zoosociety.org/spring prior to our registration date.

GENERAL CLASS POLICIES

Participants must be the appropriate age for a given class and no unregistered children may attend (including siblings). Exceptions on age are only made for children with special needs (please call Education prior to registration). Please only register for one date per class topic. If your child is attending a child-only class, an adult (18 years or older) must check the child in and provide the following information: emergency phone number, allergies/medications and names of adults authorized for pickup (only authorized adults with valid identification may pick up children). In addition, please do not meet or follow your child's group into the Zoo, as this is a distraction to the educational experience.

SNACK & FOOD ALLERGIES

We are no longer serving snacks in our classes. Please pack a snack for your child and we will ensure that snacks are not shared among children due to food allergies. When registering, please complete the "participant information" form for our awareness with any food-related allergies or call our staff with updates at **414-258-5058**.

MEDICAL, COGNITIVE, BEHAVIORAL AND PHYSICAL INFORMATION

When registering, please thoroughly complete the "participant information" form with any medical and/or cognitive, behavioral or physical information. We strive to provide an inclusive environment for all, and your information will help us make the class successful for your child! You can also call our staff with updates at **414-258-5058**.

ANTICIPATE ENTRANCE GATE LINES

The time required to enter the Zoo can vary depending on weather, road construction, school groups and events. Please check our website for events or call the Conservation Education Department in advance of your registered education program. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

CANCELLATIONS & REIMBURSEMENT

You Cancel – If you're unable to attend class, call at least 3 days before the class date and we will try to reschedule your child for another available date within Spring of 2022. We do not issue refunds; however, you can offer your child's class to a friend of the same age.

We Cancel – The Conservation Education Department reserves the right to cancel classes. We will attempt to re-schedule, accommodate your child in another class or process a reimbursement. For weather-related cancellations, refer to local news stations or call **414-258-5058**.



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