



MEDIA ALERT

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WILLIE B. GORILLA CONSERVATION CENTER REOPENS AT ZOO ATLANTA

WHAT: The Willie B. Conservation Center at Zoo Atlanta has reopened following repairs to the cracked glass panel. The popular building will continue to offer visitors full indoor views of Zoo Atlanta's gorilla groups. Guests can also continue to observe the gorilla groups from two outdoor vantage points.

Zoo Atlanta is home to the nation's largest collection of western lowland gorillas, with 23 individuals living in distinct social groups. Visitors are encouraged to check their Zoo maps for a list of scheduled feedings.

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ABOUT: **About Zoo Atlanta**
An accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), Zoo Atlanta inspires value and preservation of wildlife through a unique mix of education and outdoor family fun. From well-known native wildlife to critically endangered species on the brink of extinction, the Zoo offers memorable close encounters with more than 1,000 animals from around the world. The Zoo's newest attraction, Trader's Alley: Wildlife's Fading Footprints, featuring the debut of two new sun bears, opened in June 2010. Other highlights include the nation's largest collection of western lowland gorillas, the nation's largest zoological collection of orangutans and a global center of excellence. Zoo Atlanta is also proud to be one of only four zoos in the U.S. that giant pandas call home. The Zoo is open daily with the exceptions of Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. Keeper talks, interactive wildlife shows, education programs and special events run year-round. For more information, call 404.624.WILD or visit zooatlanta.org.

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