



## MEDIA ALERT

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#### **GIRAFFE CALF'S NAME TO BE ANNOUNCED AT ZOO ATLANTA**

*Moniker chosen by sweepstakes winner will be revealed on September 8*

- WHO:** On Thursday, September 8 at 10:30 a.m., Zoo Atlanta officials will unveil the name of the city's newest giraffe calf. Tami Honeycutt of Ringgold, Ga., chose the name after being randomly selected as the Grand Prize Winner of the Name the Giraffe Calf Sweepstakes.
- WHAT:** Born to Mona on July 22, 2011, the calf is on exhibit daily in her African Plains habitat, which is currently home to herd-mates Abu, Glenda and Zuri, as well as zebras, ostriches and waterbuck.
- WHEN:** Thursday, September 8, 2011  
10:30 a.m.
- WHERE:** Zoo Atlanta (Savannah Yard)  
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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. Complex Carnivores, a new series of exhibits featuring bush dogs, fossa and binturong, opened on April 1. Zoo Atlanta is also proud to be one of only four zoos in the U.S. that giant pandas call home: Lun Lun's newest cub, Po, born November 3, 2010, made his public debut in spring 2011. 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 for the care and study of vanishing reptiles and amphibians. 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](http://zooatlanta.org).

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