

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE MAY 14, 2019

## **Audubon Zoo Hosts Dinner and a ZOOvie Series**

(New Orleans, La.) – The popular <u>Dinner and a ZOOvie</u> series at Audubon Zoo returns for a seventh season with a lineup of five family-friendly films, beginning with the computer-animated superhero film "Incredibles 2" on Friday, May 31.

Gates open at 6 p.m. and the movie starts after 8 p.m. This year's ZOOvie series is sponsored by Swedish Fish Candy.

The Friday evening summer screenings on the Capital One Bank Field will continue with four more ZOOvies, starting with "Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom" on June 14 and "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse" on June 21.

Two more ZOOvies will follow in July, including the blockbuster "Captain Marvel" on July 12 and "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World" on July 26.

Back again this year is an invitation for moviegoers to beat the heat before each film by visiting <u>Cool Zoo</u>, the wild and wet splash park featuring the Gator Run Lazy River, before the movie at 6 p.m. From there, it's a short walk to the Capital One Bank Field to catch the show, which will start shortly after 8 p.m.

"The Dinner and a ZOOvie series has become a beloved tradition for families who want to spend a summer evening under the stars and enjoy an entertaining film," said Audubon Nature Institute President and CEO Ron Forman. "Guests can also cool off before the ZOOvie in our water park and grab a bite to eat."

Each night, a DJ will be spinning tunes near the Capital One Bank Stage, and there will be games and activities with prizes. Guests can also sample complimentary Swedish Fish candy while supplies last.

Guests can bring their own dinner or dine at the Zoo, where food trucks will be onsite and some Audubon concessions will be open.

Folding chairs and blankets are welcomed. Suitcases, backpacks or coolers (with or without wheels) must be no larger than 28-quart size and are limited to one per family. Audubon reserves the right to search coolers and backpacks.

Glass containers and disposable straws and lids are not permitted for the safety of the animals. Animal habitats will not be open.

The Dinner and ZOOvie series is a special admission event. Members must purchase tickets and there is no Member discount. Complimentary guest passes are not valid.

## Ticket information:

- If you purchase online: Movie tickets are \$6; Add Cool Zoo for an additional \$7. Total cost for both is \$13.
- If you purchase at the Zoo's Front Gate: Movie tickets are \$8; Add Cool Zoo for an additional \$7. Total cost for both is \$15.
- Children under two years of age receive complimentary admission to both.

ZOOvie tickets are available for purchase online, at the Zoo, at Audubon Aquarium of the Americas, and at Audubon Butterfly Garden and Insectarium as well as at the Zoo on the night of each showing. Buying tickets ahead of time is recommended to ensure speedier entry.

Online ticket sales will be available up to 5:15 p.m. on the day of each ZOOvie. After 6 p.m., tickets can be purchased at the Zoo. Anyone purchasing Cool Zoo/movie combo tickets online or in person must pick up wristbands at the Zoo entrance.

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO PURCHASE TICKETS

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