



# PRIVATE EVENTS



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When four walls and a ceiling just won't do for your next event, consider a place that knows no boundaries! Whatever the occasion, our beautiful outdoor venues, not to mention our rare and exotic wildlife, will turn your celebration from ordinary to extraordinary!

**Fresno Chaffee Zoo** offers an assortment of beautiful venues for any type of special event.

If you are in need of a semi-casual setting for a wedding ceremony, the **Winged Wonders Show** amphitheater offers tiered bench seating with a decorative backdrop. Just steps from the amphitheater is our *Event Garden*, a spacious lawn area accommodating our larger parties with space for a band or disc jockey and a dance floor. Your guests will be delighted dancing the night away under a canopy of stars. Be transported to the California coast with the sound of gentle waves and our beautiful **Sea Lion Cove** exhibit as your backdrop. You may even have a sea lion join you on the rock as you recite your vows or glide by as you dine on a delicious meal.

Our exhibit, **African Adventure**, offers four venues, each very unique and beautiful. Overlooking the lion exhibit, *Simba Room* is the perfect space for smaller groups. From the cozy fireplace to the African artifacts decorating the room, it is a wonderful location for meetings and celebrations of any kind.

In *Canopy Grove*, your guests will be surrounded by lush landscaping as well as African wildlife such as rhinos, giraffes, wildebeests, and more. Garlanded with lovely LED market lights, *Canopy Grove* is available throughout the day and night.

*Kopje Lodge* is a stunning venue equipped with lighting and sound, where you can also enjoy a delicious dinner while gazing out onto the savanna. These exclusive venues are unlike any other in the Valley. With any venue or attraction you choose, you and your guests will share a wild and enchanted evening strolling the lush and picturesque surroundings of **Fresno Chaffee Zoo**.

We will be happy to assist you in creating an event that your guests will talk about for years to come!



# SPACES & FEES

## Canopy Grove in African Adventure

**75 - 800 Guests**

*(Minimum - Maximum Seating)*

**\$1,750.00 Daytime** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

**\$3,500.00 Evening** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 100 guests:

- 10 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables or 72" Round Tables
- 100 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Event Garden

**100 - 800 Guests**

*(Minimum - Maximum Seating)*

**\$3,500.00 Evening Only** + \$5.00 per guest over 100

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 100 guests:

- 10 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables or 72" Round Tables
- 100 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Kopje Lodge

**100 - 250 Guests**

*(Minimum - Maximum Seating)*

**\$6,500.00 Evening Only** - Limited dates and times.

Ask your Event Coordinator for availability.

\* Rental fee includes the following:

- Existing Tables and Chairs and Security Personnel
- + Additional \$1,000.00 for custom set up

## Sea Lion Cove

**50 Guests**

*(Maximum Seating)*

**\$3,000.00 Evening Only**

\* Rental fee includes the following for up to 50 guests:

- 5 Round 60" Tables
- 50 Fruitwood Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel

## Simba Room

**45 Guests**

*(Maximum Seating)*

**\$800.00 Daytime Corporate Package**

**\$2,500.00 Evening Event**

\* Daytime events require daytime event ticket purchase.

\* Daytime Corporate Package includes up to 8 hours in venue.

\* Rental fee includes the following for up to 45 guests:

- Tables and Chairs

## Jungle Bungalow

**50 Guests**

*(Maximum Seating)*

**\$800.00 Daytime Weekday**

**\$1,500.00 Evening**

\* Rental fee includes the following standard set up for 50 guests:

- 5 Rectangular 8' Banquet Tables
- 50 Folding Chairs
- 1 Security Personnel (3 hours)

## Tonle Gallery

**70 Guests**

*(Maximum Seating)*

**\$1,000.00 Daytime Corporate Package**

**\$3,000.00 Evening Event**

\* Daytime events require daytime event ticket purchase.

\* Daytime Corporate Package includes up to 8 hours in venue.

\* Rental fee includes the following for up to 70 guests:

- Tables and Chairs

**\* Daytime Events - 2 Hours | 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

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**\* Evening Events - 3 Hours | 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

Evening Events are three hours and held between 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

# DAYTIME EVENT TICKETS

# of Visitors	Adults (Age 12 and up)	Children (Age 2-11)
1 to 19	\$16.95	\$10.95
20 to 99	\$16.50	\$10.50
100 to 299	\$15.95	\$9.95
300 to 499	\$15.50	\$9.50
500 to 999	\$14.95	\$8.95
1000+	\$14.50	\$8.50

\* Rates subject to change.

## Additional Event Services and Fees

### Amphitheater Fee

\$750.00

### Sales Tax

8.35%

### Security Personnel

\$150.00 - Three Hour Minimum

## Additional Event Rentals

### 8' Rectangular Banquet Table

\$7.50 - Over standard set up per area

### 72" Round Table

\$15.00 / Table over standard set up per area

### Folding Chairs

\$1.00 - Over standard set up per area

### Specialty Chairs - Inquire with Event Coordinator

### Delivery Fees

To be determined per rental order

### 10 x 10 Tents

\$35.00 Each

### Linens - Inquire with Event Coordinator



# WILD DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

You may enhance your guests' Zoo experience by selecting one or more of the following animal activities: **Party Animals**, **Giraffe Feeding** and **Stingray Bay**. Guests can enjoy these interactive and educational presentations as part of their entertainment. Your guests will have a wild time!



## Party Animals

Add some excitement to your event with the addition of some real Party Animals! Various small animals such as snakes, hedgehogs and tortoises will greet your guests as they enter or visit your party with a docent who will be happy to answer questions and provide information regarding each animal.

**\$150.00** for 45 minutes



## Giraffe Feeding Station

You and your guests will get the thrill of a lifetime feeding the giraffes. Imagine holding a handful of delicious leaves out for an elegant giraffe to nibble, their 20 inch prehensile tongue folding around them and pulling them in for a tasty treat.

**\$5.00** per Giraffe Feeding Ticket

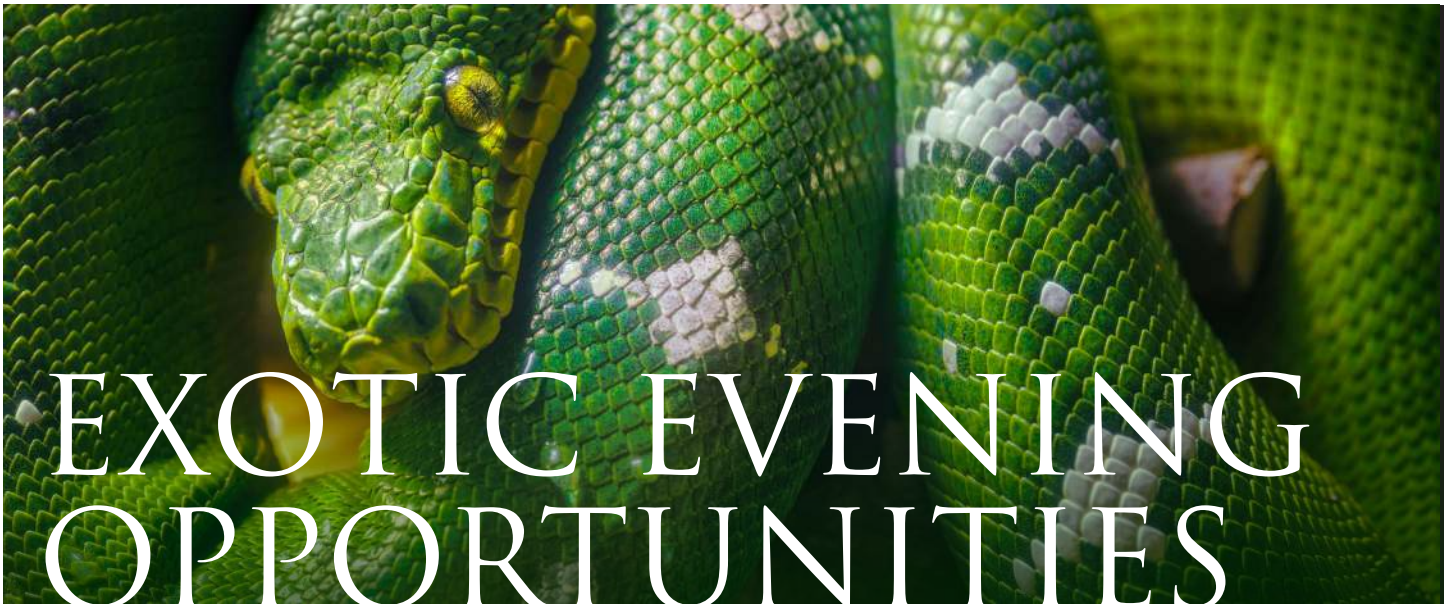


## Stingray Bay

A very special touching experience for all ages. Your guests will delight in oceans of fun at Fresno Chaffee Zoo. In addition to the stingrays, there will be two species of small docile sharks and horseshoe crabs. This attraction gets you up-close and personal with exotic sea life. You can even feed these gentle rays, who are as curious about you as you are about them.

**\$5.00** per Person for Admission

**Your Event Coordinator will coordinate all the details and create a schedule of events to ensure that not only the guests have fun, but the host as well!**



# EXOTIC EVENING OPPORTUNITIES

This is an opportunity to show your guests the evening is truly all about them and have the experience of a lifetime. These special animal options are made available only for you and your guests the evening of your event.\*



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**\$500.00** for one hour | Recommended for groups under 200 guests.

**\$750.00** for two hours | Recommended for groups between 200 and 500 guests.

**\$3.00** per person for food | Available for groups of 50 guests or less.



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You and your guests will get the thrill of a lifetime feeding the giraffes. Imagine holding a handful of delicious leaves out for an elegant giraffe to nibble, their 20 inch prehensile tongue folding around them and pulling them in for a tasty treat.

**\$250.00** per hour

+ **\$5.00** per feeding



## Sea Lion Cove Presentation

This is your opportunity to watch Fresno Chaffee Zoo's talented sea lions, Wish, Sur, and Avila, and our adorable harbor seals, Ariel and Jetta, as they demonstrate a variety of impressive behaviors in our beautiful Sea Lion Cove exhibit. You will appreciate the grace, playfulness, and intelligence of our seals and sea lions while you watch them with their experienced trainers.

**\$250.00** for 20 minute presentation  
Available for groups under 75 guests.



## Winged Wonders Bird Show

The Winged Wonders Bird Show is available April 1 through mid October. Enjoy this incredible free-flight bird show that is designed to promote awareness of the natural behavior of birds. Entertaining for groups of all ages.

**\$600.00**

*\*Due to various circumstances, this experience may not be available.*



## APPROVED CATERERS

**Taste** (*In-House Caterer*)

Ask Event Coordinator for Menu Options

**Pardini's Catering**

559.224.3188 | [pardiniscatering.com](http://pardiniscatering.com)

## PREFERRED VENDORS

### **Party Rentals**

Expo Party Rentals | 559.495.3300 | [expopartyrentals.com](http://expopartyrentals.com)

### **DJs and Lighting**

Light Up the Walls | 559.355.0727 | [lightupthewalls.com](http://lightupthewalls.com)

### **Décor/Decoration**

KSB Company | 559.273.3733 | [ksbcompany@aol.com](mailto:ksbcompany@aol.com)

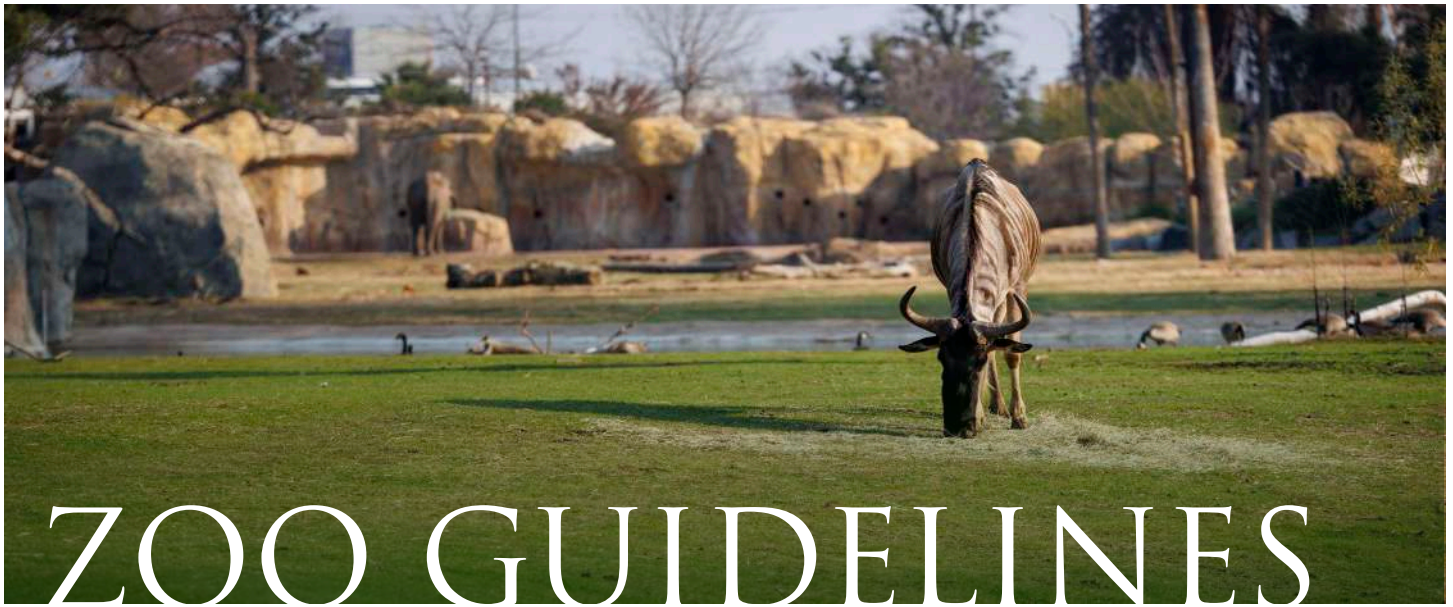
### **Activities**

Smiley Photo Booths | 559.549.3356 | [info@smileyphotoboosts.com](mailto:info@smileyphotoboosts.com)

Fresno Fancy Faces | 559.260.4049 | [fresnofancyfaces@yahoo.com](mailto:fresnofancyfaces@yahoo.com)

Wild Child Adventures | 559.352.3667 | [bgray@wildchildadventures.com](mailto:bgray@wildchildadventures.com)





## Outside Vendors

The Fresno Chaffee Zoo event coordinator can assist with recommendations for outside vendors. All outside vendors must be preapproved by the Zoo at least two weeks prior to the event. All outside vendors are required to sign the Zoo's vendor/contractor code of conduct.

- Vendors must provide proof of insurance and are required to adhere to Zoo rules and regulations.
- Vendors are required to remove all items immediately following the event. Fresno Chaffee Zoo is not liable for equipment or decorations deposited prior, during or after an event.
- Vendors must arrange delivery times, loading areas, set up locations, and pick up schedules prior to the event with Fresno Chaffee Zoo Event Coordinator.
- **All vendors must adhere to Fresno Chaffee Zoo's policy on plastic.**

## Decorations

All decorations must be approved by Zoo staff in advance. Our first concern is to ensure the health and safety of our animals. The following items are not permitted in the Zoo: balloons of any kind, stickers, crayons, mylar confetti, rice, bird seed, glass or aluminum containers, straws of any kind, sticks, roller skates/blades, skateboards, tiki torches or open flame, candy with sticks, and domestic animals (*except service animals*).

## Parking

Event guests are required to pay the Roeding Park entry fee or the current entry fee designated on the day of the event, which is mandated by the City of Fresno. For more information on how to purchase parking for your guests, ask your Event Coordinator.



# RENTAL ITEMS

## Rental Equipment

Your event site may require the rental of additional equipment, including extra tables, chairs and canopies not included in your site fee. Your Fresno Chaffee Zoo Event Coordinator will determine how much rental equipment is needed and will facilitate the reservation, set-up and removal of this equipment.

### Tables

- Rectangular
- Square
- Round
- Cocktail

### Chairs

- Bistro Chairs
- Fruitwood Chairs with Padded Seat

### Linens

- Tablecloths
- Table Drapes

### Table Settings

- Chargers
- Plates (Dinner, Salad, Dessert, etc.)
- Glassware
- Flatware

### Miscellaneous

- Heaters
- Dance Floor
- Tents
- Market Umbrellas
- Archways

### Games

- Corn Hole
- Giant Jenga

### Lanterns

*\*Ask for pricing*



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **Do you provide tables and chairs?**

Tables and chairs are included in your site fee (see Event Site fee). If additional rentals are needed, we will assist you in acquiring the desired equipment.

## **Is linen provided for tables?**

Your caterer can provide basic linens or linens can be rented through your Event Coordinator.

## **What forms of payment do you accept?**

We accept personal checks, all major credit cards and money orders.

## **When is final guest count and payment due?**

Your estimated guest count and deposit is due at the time of booking. Your guaranteed guest count is due seven (7) working days prior to your event. Your payment in full is due five (5) working days prior to your event.

## **If I cancel my event, is my deposit refundable?**

A portion of your deposit may be refundable in the event of a cancellation. (See contract)

## **Am I able to have a bar at my event?**

Yes, alcohol is permitted for Group Events. All alcohol must be arranged through our approved caterers.

## **Can I use candles to decorate?**

Yes, candles are permitted in any hurricane style container.

## **When do I have access to the event site for set up?**

Access is given at the discretion of the Event Coordinator depending on the complexity of the set up and prior events/bookings at the venue site.

## **Are my guests allowed to come into the Zoo earlier than my specified evening event time?**

Guests are allowed to enter the Zoo one hour prior to your event time. If you would like your guests to be allowed to enter the Zoo earlier, additional hours are available at \$500 per hour.

## **Is there a minimum charge for food?**

The minimum amount is \$15 per person per event.

## **Are there specific times when I can host an event?**

We customize each event to the client's specifications allowing 2 hours for breakfasts or luncheons, 3 hours for dinners, and 4 hours for weddings and receptions. Additional hours are \$500 per hour.