

## THE LIVING DESERT ZOO AND GARDENS TO RESUME SUMMER OPERATING HOURS ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

*Guests Can Enjoy Wildlife and Attractions From 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Daily* 

**PALM DESERT/INDIAN WELLS, CA** – (May 31, 2022) – The Living Desert Zoo and Gardens will transition to summer operating hours tomorrow, Wednesday, June 1. Guests can experience the wildlife habitats and gardens from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. daily, with last admission will be at 12:30 p.m.

Hours for the new <u>Rhino Savanna</u> habitat and <u>Tennity Wildlife Hospital</u> will also be from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. daily, while the popular giraffe feedings will occur between 8 a.m. and noon. The Desert Plant Conservation Center will remain open and animal connections will continue throughout the summer; guests are encouraged to check the daily schedule for specific times, available at LivingDesert.org and onsite. Private safari tours are also available daily by advanced reservation.

Coinciding with implementation of summer hours, The Living Desert's carousel and hiking trails will close until October 1 when fall operating hours resume.

"We want to thank our community for another record-breaking season filled with exciting new additions and events, like *Rhino Savanna* and *Glow in the Park*," said Erin Scott, Senior Manager of Brand, Marketing and Communications for The Living Desert. "Our summer hours offer a great opportunity for guests to take advantage of the extra hour in the early morning before the heat of the day."

For tickets and additional information, visit LivingDesert.org or call (760) 346-5694.

## About The Living Desert:

The Living Desert Zoo and Gardens is a nonprofit, accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums, ensuring the highest standards of all aspects of animal care, education, conservation, public service, and operations. The Zoo is active in conservation research, habitat protection, breeding programs and education initiatives around the world, as well as in its own community. The Zoo has been a top destination in the Palm Springs area for more than 50 years. The Living Desert is located at 47900 Portola Ave, Palm Desert, CA 92260. For more information: (760) 346-5694 or visit livingdesert.org.