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SAFARI NIAGARA WELCOMES YOU FOR THEIR 16TH SEASON WITH NEW ANIMALS AND EXCITING EVENT LINEUP

Stevensville, ON (May 3, 2018) After a cold, long winter, Safari Niagara is ready to open for another busy season, filled with excitement for all ages, on Saturday, May 12, 2018. The 2018 season will bring non-stop, exciting entertainment for the whole family all season long!

New this season, Safari Niagara is happy to introduce De Brazza's Monkeys and Red Pandas to our family. The new Red Panda's, Phoenix and Cassi, are an important part of the Species Survival Plan (SSP). Although neither are in a breeding position, sustaining non-breeding captive populations still plays a very important role in the success of the overall plan. De Brazza's Monkeys, Seamus, Doc Henderson and Hara, join Safari Niagara from the Calgary Zoo.

Safari Niagara has eliminated their shows and tours schedule and has brought in twelve new daily, educational Keeper Talks for the 2018 season. Visitors will learn more about some of their favourite animals from the keepers who take care of them on a daily basis. Keeper Talks will provide educational information about what is required to care for the animals, share some unique animal personalities and provide you with an intimate look on conservation.

After a successful introduction of Behind the Scenes tours during the 2017 season, Safari Niagara is happy to announce that they will be bringing Behind the Scenes Tours back for another year. Guests will have the opportunity to go behind the scenes with their Giraffe, Rhino and Lion experience as well as become a Jr. Zookeeper during their Jr. Zookeeper For a Day experience.

Safari Niagara invites you to meet their newest additions, view their Keeper Talks and participate in their Behind the Scenes Tours when the season opens starting Saturday, May 12, 2018. Along with new family members they are excited to announce the 2018

event line-up. This month's upcoming events, offering something for everyone, include:

Mother's Day Celebration: Celebrate mom this Mother's Day (Sunday, May 13) with FREE admission for all moms to Safari Niagara. Join Safari Niagara for a craft/vendor fair with 20 great vendors, live music on their restaurant patio, face painting, inflatables and a scavenger hunt. Season memberships will also be on sale for a discounted price at the gate only on Saturday, May 12 and Sunday, May 13.

16th Birthday Celebration: Visit Safari Niagara on Saturday, May 19, 2018 to receive discounted admission. The price for all visitors will be \$16.00+HST per person to celebrate 16 years in business! Special animal enrichments will take place during scheduled Keeper Talks.

Walk to End Cystic Fibrosis: Safari Niagara will host the Walk to End Cystic Fibrosis on Sunday, May 27, 2018. Thousands of participants across Canada will unite at local community walk sites during CF awareness month to celebrate their fundraising efforts, while imagining a world without CF. Registration includes full access to Safari Niagara on the day of the walk and BBQ lunch provided by Cystic Fibrosis. Register today at www.cysticfibrosis.ca/walk/.

"At Safari Niagara, we strive to educate people of all ages and abilities about wildlife conservation while providing an opportunity to get closer to some of the world's most magnificent species," states Tim Tykolis, General Manager. "Between our new family members and our full calendar of special events and promotions there is something for everyone all season long."

For admission rates, hours of operations, full event listings for the summer and more information please visit www.safariniagara.com.

ABOUT SAFARI NIAGARA

Safari Niagara is a 150-acre family-owned and operated nature park that is home to more than 1000 animals, reptiles and birds. Visitors of all ages and abilities can experience the park's wild inhabitants on their own or through free, educational daily keeper talks, narrated tram rides, and behind the scenes tours.

For more information on Safari Niagara, visit www.safariniagara.com or join us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/safariniagara and Twitter @SafariNiagara.