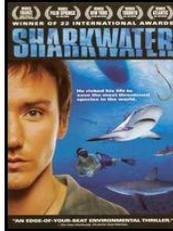


**Media Alert
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**CONSERVATION AWARENESS WEEKEND WITH ZOO ANIMAL FAVOURITES
Friday, August 7th to Sunday, August 9th, 2009**

Who: **Orangutans:** Puppe, Ramai, Dinar, Jahe, Kembali, Budi, and Sekali and their Keepers.
Sharks: Exclusive showings of the movie hit *Sharkwater*, plus the Zoo's Sharks at Stingray Bay Exhibit.
Elephants: Irina, Toka, Thika and Tara and their Keepers with Zoo Volunteers.

What: **Orangutan Awareness Weekend – Indo-Malaya Pavilion – Friday, August 7th to Sunday, August 9th – 11am to 4pm**

- Orangutan Paintings, Artefacts, and Touch Table
- Meet the Orangutan Keeper at 1pm daily
- Chance to win a Zoo Family Membership for one year.

Attend a FREE Screening of the Popular Movie *Sharkwater* – Zoo Auditorium – 11:30am, 1:30pm & 3:30pm

- Enjoy FREE screenings of a top-rated movie, *Sharkwater*, by Rob Stewart, filmmaker and biologist, on Saturday, August 8th, Sunday, August 9th and Saturday, August 22nd and Sunday, August 23rd at 11:30am, 1:30pm and 3:30 pm.
- Learn about shark conservation.

Elephant Open House – Africa Savanna – Sunday, August 9th – 11am to 4pm

- Go behind the scenes at the Zoo and see where the Zoo's elephants live, eat, and play for one loonie per person!
- Meet the Elephant Keepers and Zoo Volunteers and learn about elephants and conservation
- All proceeds support elephant conservation worldwide

Where & When: **Toronto Zoo- Main Entrance**
Take Hwy 401 to Meadowvale Rd (exit #389 both directions)
North on Meadowvale to Main Parking.

**For more information
Contact Katie Gray, Public Relations Supervisor
at (416) 392-5941**

Zoo Hours – 9:00 am to 7:30 pm. Last admissions one hour before closing. General Admission 13-64 incl. is \$21, Children 3 and under are free, Children 4-12 are \$13 and Seniors 65+ are \$15. Parking is \$8/vehicle. **Event schedule subject to change without notice.** The Zoo is located at Meadowvale Road and Hwy. 401, Exit 389 east and west bound. For general information, call (416) 392-5929. The Toronto Zoo is open year round (except December 25th).