

2009-10-30 MEDIA ALERT/PHOTO OPPORTUNITY



IT'S DOWN TO THE TOP 10 NAMES FOR OUR BABY MALE GORILLA!

Who: The Toronto Zoo's male gorilla baby and YOU!

What/Why: Our special panel of Zoo judges has selected 10 names from the over 5,000 submissions to our Toronto Zoo Name the Baby Gorilla Contest. Visit <u>torontozoo.com</u> today and vote on YOUR favourite names only until Friday, November 13th at 10:00am!

Top 10 Male Gorilla Baby Names To Vote On

- Nadeem Companion and friend
 Neo Gift, new
- Namiko
 - Nassir Protector Nigel Champion
- Nateeo A tribute to his birthplace
 "T.O." or "Teeo" Toronto
 Nsambu Good fortune, good luck
- Naveed Best wishes, good news
- Nyack Won't give up

Nico - Victory of the people

On Wednesday, November 18th, the top five names, as selected by YOU, will be displayed within the Gorilla Rainforest Exhibit. The name that Charles, the Dad, goes to first will become our new baby's name! So get online today and vote for your favourite!

When: Voting closes at 10:00am on Friday, November 13th, 2009.

Where:Vote at torontozoo.com and to see our new baby gorilla visit Toronto Zoo -
Western lowland gorilla exhibit, African Rainforest Pavilion
Take Hwy 401 to Meadowvale Road (Exit #389 east and westbound).
Go north to Zoo Main Parking.

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Zoo Hours from Oct. 13th to March 12th - 9:30am to 4:30pm. 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 until Oct. 31st and FREE from Nov. 1st to February 28th. 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).

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