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Advance Tickets On Sale Now for Zoo's Halloween Event

Nashville Zoo's 10th annual *Ghouls at Grassmere* is expected to draw record crowds, and guests looking forward to the popular Halloween event now have the opportunity to buy tickets in advance. The new ticketing program will help guests spend more time enjoying the evening and less time in line. Tickets can be purchased daily at the Zoo from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. *Ghouls at Grassmere* runs from 5pm – 9 p.m. each evening on October 19 - 21 and October 26 - 28.

Taking place throughout Zoo grounds, *Ghouls at Grassmere* features 20 themed treat stations, animal shows, a monster mash dance area, a costume parade, games, a monster lab and more. The Zoo's wildly popular Haunted Hayride will feature new scenes, including a bubble tunnel and a 12-foot tall robotic dragon named Zooboo. The Zoo's Historic Home will offer guests a special tour to learn about death and dying customs of the 1800s.

Ghouls at Grassmere is designed for families with children under 12. **Event admission is \$3 for Zoo members and \$7 for non-members. Children under 3 are free.** There are extra fees for the Haunted Hayride, carousel rides and pumpkin painting. Food and retail facilities will be open for guests' convenience. *Ghouls at Grassmere* is presented by Target and sponsored by Nashville Gas, Regions, O'Charley's, Tri-Star, Party Patrol Entertainment, Nashville Parent, and 97.1 WRQQ.

Ghouls at Grassmere would not be possible without the help of hundreds of dedicated volunteers. The Zoo's volunteer department is still looking for people to help with treat distribution, carnival games, haunted hayrides and other activities. To volunteer, please call (615) 833-1534 ext. 140 or visit www.nashvillezoo.org.

Nashville Zoo is accredited by the prestigious Association of Zoos and Aquariums, assuring the highest standards of animal care and husbandry. The Zoo is a non-profit organization located at 3777 Nolensville Road and is open every day except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. The mission of the Nashville Zoo is to inspire a culture of understanding and discovery of our natural world through conservation, innovation and leadership. For more information about Nashville Zoo, please call 833-1534, or visit our website at www.nashvillezoo.org.

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