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#### Dear Zoo Friends,

It is difficult to write this letter about what is happening at the Zoo, as every day brings changes and new challenges. As you know, we closed the Zoo on March 18 and at that time, we estimated our financial losses through September to be \$5.2 million. As a non-profit organization, 80% of our revenues come through admissions, memberships, retail and concession sales and events. In March, we created a Zoo Relief Fund and asked our supporters to donate, as our animals must still be cared for, even if our doors are closed. We were humbled by the support we received and, thanks to donations both large and small from our community and beyond, this fund has raised over \$830,000 that has been used to directly support our operations. In May, we created Cruise the Zoo, a drive-thru experience that has been wildly successful. I would like to thank everyone that attended for not only supporting us, but for the outpouring of positive feedback we received here at the Zoo and on social media. We are so happy that we were able to provide a safe way to have a great time in the midst of such a difficult time in the world. I can tell you our animals and staff were so very happy to see you. Cruise the Zoo has provided us much needed revenue and has been so successful that we will continue to have select Cruise the Zoo weekends throughout the summer. We have raised approximately \$930,000 through this event and continue to sell tickets for future weekends. We were also very fortunate to receive \$2.7 million from the federal government in a Paycheck Protection Program loan that has enabled us to continue to pay our staff and the loan should be entirely forgiven. So, while we will still lose a great deal of money throughout this crisis, all these efforts and your generosity have lessened our losses considerably.

When Governor Ducey began to reopen our state, we reopened to Members only on June 13 & 14, and to the general public on June 15. We limited the number of tickets sold each day, and tickets had to be purchased online in order to manage capacity in the park. We had closed all indoor facilities and areas that typically see high concentrations of guests such as Stingray Bay, Giraffe Encounter and the 4-D Theater and more, which make up most of our on-site revenue generating experiences. We added hand sanitizing stations throughout the Zoo, increased our cleaning efforts in restrooms and other high touch point areas, installed acrylic guards at various locations and, on June 20, in accordance with the Declaration of Phoenix City Council, began requiring all guests over five without medical exceptions to wear a face covering when entering the Zoo and whenever social distancing within the Zoo was not possible. Despite all of these efforts, with COVID-19 cases rising in Arizona at the time, we made the decision to close the Zoo once again effective July 7. We had hoped to remain open, but only if we could do so safely for our guests, our staff and our animals.

We are once again offering Cruise the Zoo and have added dates to this wildly popular experience! You can now go cruisin' on August 6 -10, September 4 – 7, 11 - 13 and 25 - 27. We will reopen to foot traffic when we feel it is appropriate and safe to do so.



During this already challenging time, we experienced a great loss as a Zoo family. A beloved and long-time employee, Chris Pointer, passed away in early July. Chris has been at the Zoo since 2004 and quickly found his calling as a Park Ranger. Many of our guests encountered him in our parking



lot as he was an expert at managing traffic so all could enter our lots effortlessly and timely. He was the ultimate professional and an asset to our entire organization. He was like family to many and will be greatly missed. We are devastated by his loss and our sympathies are with his family during this time.

Despite this hardship, our Zoo family is carrying on in Chris's memory. I would like to thank my dedicated staff who are working tirelessly to continue to provide outstanding care for all our animals in a very stressful time. There are so many other people behind the scenes and outside of animal areas working very hard as well. We have staff who have been furloughed - we hope to bring them back as soon as possible. We also look forward to welcoming back our amazing volunteer force as circumstances warrant. I would like to thank all of them for their dedication and patience. Finally, I want to thank our tremendous Board of Trustees for their counsel and guidance. These volunteer members of our community are dedicated to the Zoo and its success and we are grateful for their service in these trying times.

I hope you all continue to stay safe and healthy and that I can see you at the Zoo again soon.

**Norberto J. (Bert) Castro** President / CEO, Arizona Center for Nature Conservation Phoenix Zoo / South Mountain Environmental Education Center

New Life Breeds New Hope for an Endangered Species ay brought about a historic milestone for the Phoenix Zoo. We are proud to be a first-time participant in the cross-fostering of two Mexican gray wolf pups born at the Zoo and placed in a wild den in New Mexico. The two pups, one female, one male, are part of a litter of four that were born in early May at the Zoo.

This collaboration is part of a cooperative breeding program between the Association of Zoos and Aquarium's Mexican Gray Wolf Species Survival Plan<sup>™</sup> and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Mexican gray wolf recovery program, which aims to restore this endangered species to their native southwest territory. The goal of the cross-fostering program is to boost the genetic health of the Mexican gray wolf population, a critical component to recovering the species in the wild. "We are proud to be a part of this historic moment for the Mexican gray wolf population and the Zoo," says Bert Castro, President and CEO of the ACNC/Phoenix Zoo. "This is the second season of a successful litter of pups for our wolf parents and we are elated that the timing was perfect to have two pups placed into the wild to help improve the genetic health of wild wolves."

Phoenix Zoo veterinary and keeper staff facilitated the careful retrieval of the two pups which included a thorough neonate exam. Both pups were found to be healthy and were placed in the care of the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Within hours of leaving the Zoo, the two pups were placed with the Iron Creek pack in New Mexico, making them part of a record 20 captive-born pups cross-fostered during April and May to various wild packs. At the time, the remaining two pups stayed at the Zoo with their parents and six siblings, who were born last summer. Parents Tulio and Tazanna have been incredibly protective of the remaining pups and kept

them out of sight over the past weeks. We would have expected to see the new pups emerging from the den by now. But we will keep the pack under close observation and remain hopeful that the pups survived.

The important conservation and breeding collaboration with our partners will continue and we are proud of the historic milestone we accomplished this season. With nearly 400 individual Mexican gray wolves distributed among 54 institutions in the United States and Mexico, there is still hope for wild repopulation with the influx of modern conservation collaborations. In 1976, the Mexican gray wolf was listed under the **Endangered Species** Act and the need for advocacy came to light. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mexico and partner agencies subsequently created a binational breeding program to reestablish wild populations. These efforts are still going strong today.



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espite the heat, a normal Phoenix Zoo summer sees hundreds of energetic kids join us for Camp Zoo. Unfortunately, this is not a normal summer.

It was decidedly unrealistic that we could practice social distancing, handwashing and mask wearing in our traditional camp format, yet the thought of cancelling it seemed unreal. Originating in 1965, Camp Zoo began only three years after the Zoo first opened and for 55 years has exemplified the Zoo's mission of "providing experiences that inspire people and motivate them to care for the natural world."

#### CAMP ZOO TO YOU

As a cherished Valley tradition, we determined that Camp Zoo would indeed go on, just in a new way. This summer, we are excited to introduce Camp Zoo To You, a virtual program that gives campers the opportunity to experience all of their favorite activities from the comfort of their own home.

Camp Zoo To You offers three different topics: Birds, Reptiles & Amphibians and Mammals, all of which are best suited for campers in grades 3 – 6. Each topic includes up-close animal encounters, behindthe-scenes tours, guided visits to Zoo exhibits, craft and learning activities, songs, trivia and scientific investigations for hours of learning and fun.

Although we know kids love being at the Zoo, we have found that our virtual camp has some really great virtues! After registering for the session and chosen topics, kids will have access to prerecorded content for the duration of the session, giving campers the flexibility to access activities when it best suits their schedules. Content also addresses multiple learning styles and is flexible enough to meet everyone's learning needs and pace. It is also designed to allow your camper to work independently with minimal set-up required. Last but not least, our virtual programs allow us to provide one-of-a-kind behind-the-scenes tours and animal encounters that would not be possible during in-person camps.

So, don't worry campers... Camp Zoo is now coming to you!

#### FAMILY ZOOVENTURE

For parents and kids looking for shorter but equally engaging programs, we also offer Family ZooVenture. Through the magic of Zoom, kids can

## E ZOO TO YOU!



interact not only with a Zoo educator but also other kids who share a love of animals and the Phoenix Zoo!

Taking place every Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m., each 45-minute program covers a different topic with unique, kid-friendly activities. Recommended for ages 3 – 8, kids will be wildly entertained while learning interesting facts about animals and the Zoo. Some of the most recent topics include "Build an Animal" (learn about animal anatomy and build your own fantastic beast) and "Animal Artwork" (kids watch how our animal ambassadors create paintings and then receive a small piece of the artwork!)

Learn, laugh and work out the wiggles with this amazing new addition to our virtual programs.

#### DISTANCE LEARNING

As more educators move their classes, camps and youth groups online, the Phoenix Zoo is here to help!

Our distance learning programs use a mix of live discussions and demonstrations, pre-recorded videos and live animal presentations. Students will also be able to interact with Zoo educators creating a two-way dialogue with quizzes and questions. Designed to meet Arizona state academic standards, all a group will need is a computer, a projector and an Internet connection.

Currently, our most popular program is "Zoo Expert," a flexible Q&A/interview style program that brings the knowledge of a Zoo expert to the classroom via video conferencing. Whether students are working on projects about animals or investigating zoo careers, each one-hour session includes animal ambassadors and biofacts, allowing students to gain a deeper understanding of their chosen topic.

No matter your need for fun, engaging programs and camps, we've got you covered and are bringing the Zoo to you!

Mom that was so fun! I want to Zoo class EVERY DAY! -Stella

### Get online and get ed-Zoo-cated... The Phoenix Zoo has a program for everyone!

### ZOOTOYOU PROGRAMS KIDS AND FAMILIES

#### Camp ZooToYou

3 – 4 hours per theme | 3 themes available per week Weekly on-demand sessions featuring animal encounters, behind-the-scenes tours, scientific investigations, crafts and learning activities.

Now – August 5

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Connect with a Zoo educator while learning about our fascinating animals. Different themes and Storytime available each week.

Every Tuesday & Thursday | 9 a.m.

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Based on Arizona State Science Standards

**Distance Learning** | 45 – 60 min. sessions Perfect for classrooms or homeschool groups. Students will be engaged with live discussions and demonstrations, pre-recorded videos, interactive quizzes, Q&A time and live animal presentations.

**Project Orangutan** | 60 min. per week for 9 weeks Learn all about the Phoenix Zoo's orangutans in this 9-week project featuring guided research and activities.

**Virtual Field Trips** | 30 – 45 min. sessions Explore some of our fascinating animals with pre-recorded videos, activities and a live Q&A with a Zoo educator.

### GROUPS

**Phoenix Zoo Live Online** | 45 – 60 min. sessions Groups of all kinds will enjoy engaging live with a Zoo educator through a variety of pre-recorded videos and interactive quizzes plus live animal presentations, discussions and demonstrations.

For complete program descriptions and pricing, please click here.

# THANK YOU MEMBERS!



#### **Member Support**

he support of our members has been crucial to the Zoo's financial well-being during the Covid-19 crisis. In addition to helping sustain the Zoo through annual membership dues, our members donated just over \$237,000 to our Zoo Relief Fund. They also purchased Cruise the Zoo tickets, our drive-thru experience that raised more funds during our temporary closure from March 18 – June 12.

We simply could not operate without our members' support. There truly is no Zoo without you and we are so grateful for your additional financial help during this very difficult time.

On behalf of our Zoo staff, volunteers and animals we want to thank all of our Phoenix Zoo members for your unwavering and generous support!

## Conservation **UPDATES:**

# Hatch & Release

Summer is an especially busy time at the Arthur L. and Elaine V. Johnson Foundation Native Species Conservation Center at the Phoenix Zoo. We're welcoming births and hatchings, sending animals out into the wild, and as always, working hard to provide excellent care for all of the animals here at the Center. Here are some snapshots from our work:

#### Welcome, ferret kits!

To date we've celebrated the arrival of two litters of black-footed ferret kits in 2020. We're hoping for one more litter of this endangered species before summer is done, but in the meantime are enjoying watching these five kits growing bigger and stronger each day under the care of their moms, Lazuli and Mandolin. We'll know in September







whether any of the kits born in Phoenix this year will go to one of the 20+ release sites in North America designated by the US Fish and Wildlife Service's Black-footed Ferret Recovery Program, and whether any of "our" ferrets will go to other breeding centers to increase the genetic diversity of the managed population. Some of the ferrets at the Zoo are here for their retirement, while others may stay to breed again next year.

#### Who's that? More pygmy-owl chicks!

Cactus ferruginous pygmy-owls don't hoot, but some of us humans did when we heard the news that three more pygmy-owl chicks hatched at the Johnson Center in June. This brings our total hatching success for the season to nine owlets thus far. Click **here** to see a video of the owl chicks growing up.

#### Good luck, frogs!

In early June, Arizona Game and Fish Department biologists released a freshly laid Chiricahua leopard frog (CLF) egg mass to one of the seven Arizona CLF Recovery Units, along with the adult frog who laid the eggs at the Zoo's Johnson Center ranarium complex. Historically, we mostly released large tadpoles or small metamorph frogs raised at the Zoo, but for the past several years have been providing various CLF life stages for release in hopes of maximizing the contributions we can make to wild leopard frog recovery. As regular Wild Times readers know, we've released over 25,000 CLFs to the wild in their native range since our program began in 1995. Happy 25th anniversary to the Phoenix Zoo's CLF program! Children are one third of our population... and all of our future.

## YOUNG PHILANTHROPISTS NORM

www.e often look at children as little people that we need to take care of, so it is hard to imagine how they can take care of us. Yet that is exactly what happened when the Phoenix Zoo closed in March. Realizing the financial hardships that the Zoo would face, the following kids decided they wanted to help and showed us that philanthropy truly has no age limits.

Dear phoenix Zoos I had a Lemonade stand and I collected a lot of money I desided to donote it to because I Love the elephants and I wa them to stax alive and happy. I donate it to you because they need food to stay alive. I had a bt of fun. we ill come back soon: waht from charlotte age 6

Charlotte and her family are dedicated members of the Zoo who visit often to see her favorite animals, especially Sheena and Indu, the Asian elephants. When the Zoo shut down, six-year old Charlotte became concerned that our animals might not have enough food and quickly sprang into action. Full of entrepreneurial spirit, Charlotte decided that when life gives you lemons, you make lemonade... and sell it! Charging only 25 cents, she quickly raised an impressive amount which her parents kindly offered to match. On behalf of our happy, well-fed animals, we applaud Charlotte and send her a very big thank you.

The Phoenix Zoo prides itself on being a special place for families to visit. A place where memories are



made for those young and old. So, it is incredibly heartwarming when guests share how much the Zoo means to them and their children. Michaella and her husband are longtime Zoo fans who now regularly bring their young son John. Needless to say, it was tough on the family when we closed. Though just five years old, John has learned to save a portion of his weekly allowance for things near and dear to him and we were touched when he chose the Phoenix Zoo. His mom sent a beautiful note explaining John's wishes and, in her words, his modest donation. Though the amount may have been modest, the gesture was enormous. We know your parents are proud of you, John, and we are too!



We are also very proud of brother and sister, Rowan and Lincoln. Back in February, Rowan turned three years old and rather than accept gifts, this big-hearted birthday girl raised money for our cheetahs. Inspired by his little sister's philanthropy, Lincoln decided he wanted to do the same. Instead of receiving gifts for his 5th birthday, Lincoln asked for donations for our otter, Kima and even spent some time learning about the species and understanding why they are threatened. Lincoln's mom let us know that he is already researching the next threatened animal he wants to raise money for. We are honored that both of you want to help our animals and take the time to learn more about them. Thank you, Rowan and Lincoln!

When it comes to education, the Phoenix Zoo is an amazing place to learn about wildlife, nature and conservation. Our ZooTeen program is especially popular and provides a great environment for young people who love animals and want to pursue a career involving them. Gretchen was a senior in high school when she first became a ZooTeen and says the program made her fall in love with sustainability, conservation and the Phoenix Zoo as a whole. So much so that in lieu of graduation gifts, she asked friends and family to donate to the Zoo. As she told us, "I have learned so much from the animals, staff, and various programs, that I felt this was the perfect way to say thank you. I was deeply concerned for the Zoo and the money it was losing in lockdown, so I wanted to do everything I could to help." Gretchen says that supporting the Zoo made her happier than any material item would have. She is headed to Arizona State University in the fall to study sustainability and we wish this amazing young lady the best of luck.

To Charlotte, Rowan, Lincoln, John, Gretchen and all the amazing kids that support the Phoenix Zoo, we offer our heartfelt thanks. Their generosity is inspiring and a great tribute to the values their parents have instilled in them. Though lately our days seem a little dark, with kids like this in the world, our future looks bright indeed.



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### FEATURED CREATURE Asian Elephants

### Happy World Elephant Day!

he Phoenix Zoo is currently home to two Asian elephants, Indu and Sheena. Outgoing Indu was born in 1965 and arrived at the Phoenix Zoo in 1998, while shy, sweet Sheena came to the Phoenix Zoo in 2000 and is 49-years-old.

Weighing in at over 8,000 pounds, both of these magnificent ladies are guest favorites though they exhibit rather different personalities and appearances. Indu can be recognized by her pink ears and is known to make a lot more noise, vocalizing and banging with her trunk for attention. Sheena is definitely the quieter of the two, taller and much hairier than Indu. She is also extremely clever, quickly figuring out her puzzle feeders and then rinsing her fruit before eating.

### Did You Know?!

- Their daily diet requires 300-400 lbs. of food and 40 gallons of water.
- They can only lie down for 4 hours at a time or the weight of their body will crush their internal organs.
- An elephant's trunk is prehensile with over 100,000 muscles and tendons in it.
- They experience a range of "emotions" from happiness, excitement and enthusiasm to sadness and mourning.

July 29 International Tiger Day

August 8

International Cat Day

August 14 World Lizard Day

**August 19** World Orangutan Day

August 12 World Elephant Day August 26 National Dog Day



## KEEPER KORNER GENERATION CORONIALS

ou have heard of Baby Boomers, Gen X, Millennials and Gen Z. Now get ready for the next generation, Coronials. This is the term being used for babies born post-December 2020 through Spring 2021 because of everyone staying home due to the coronavirus. Keeping current with the trend, the adult female stingrays at the Phoenix Zoo once again find themselves pregnant.

Cownose Stingrays are pregnant on average for nine to twelve months producing typically one baby (pup) at a time. Once born, mom swims off to avoid male suitors while the pup quickly learns its new environment.

A few years ago, the keepers of Stingray Bay began working with the veterinary staff to ultrasound the rays more frequently. Rays were trained to

voluntarily participate in their own prenatal visits. Keepers would have the ray rest on their forearms while ultrasounds were performed. Unfortunately, the tethered ultrasound probe required the ray to remain next to the wall of the pool and also omitted an electric signal which made the rays anxious and difficult to examine.

A generous donor heard of the work Stingray Bay was doing and gifted the Zoo with a handheld ultrasound probe. Its Wi-Fi capability enabled the keepers to desensitize the rays to the signal while no longer confining them to the side of the pool. This also allowed for checkups to be performed without having to monopolize the time of our very busy veterinary staff.

Happily, the animals are exceeding our expectations. They have begun to sit in the

keeper's arms free of movement during the scan. The person poolside reads the images on an iPad as the scan is being conducted and can redirect placement of the probe, as necessary. We can now see and track clear images of the unborn pup.

Training is not limited to our adult females. The juveniles in the pool have shown interest in participating. They pause next to the keeper during scans as if waiting for their turn.

It looks like the rays will begin to pup right after the New Year. Who will have theirs first? Exactly when are they due? We are still learning, but we can tell you that come spring, a whole new group of pups will call Stingray Bay home!

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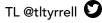


We had such a blast today! I'm so glad I saw this and today wasn't sold out yesterday when I checked! 10/10 recommend!

Jessika Segovia



Thank you @PhoenixZoo! Nice to see our friends.





One of our most memorable visits to the zoo. BRAVO!



Phoenix friends: be sure to check out @PhoenixZoo's Cruise the Zoo. We had a blast seeing all our favorite animals. The zoo has lost a lot of money since they've been closed, and this is a great way to show some support for the animals.

Christina Sandefur @cmsandefur 💟



We loved today and car was decorated, seen Howie the rhino today.



Had fun celebrating mom/grandma visiting one of her favorite places. Once in a lifetime opportunity to 'Cruise the Zoo' in your own vehicle! Love and miss you mom!

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Marie Heller



#### The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

## New tax law changes could benefit you and the Phoenix Zoo.

Check with your financial advisor, or let us connect you with one, to get answers to these important questions:

- Can I now claim a \$300 tax deduction for cash donations to my favorite charities and not have to itemize?
- If I itemize, can I now deduct more of my charitable cash contributions this year?
- Can I deduct more of my taxable income for donations I make from my C corporation too?

What if your answer is yes? Then you **AND** the Phoenix Zoo could benefit!

The CARES Act provides additional tax relief to help non-profits by increasing your ability to deduct donations. These are new, temporary, charitable tax deductions for cash donations made in 2020.

There's even more good news. There is no IRA Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) in 2020. Now that you do not have to pay tax on that RMD, perhaps you would consider donating the amount that you would have paid in taxes to the Phoenix Zoo. Again, everyone wins!

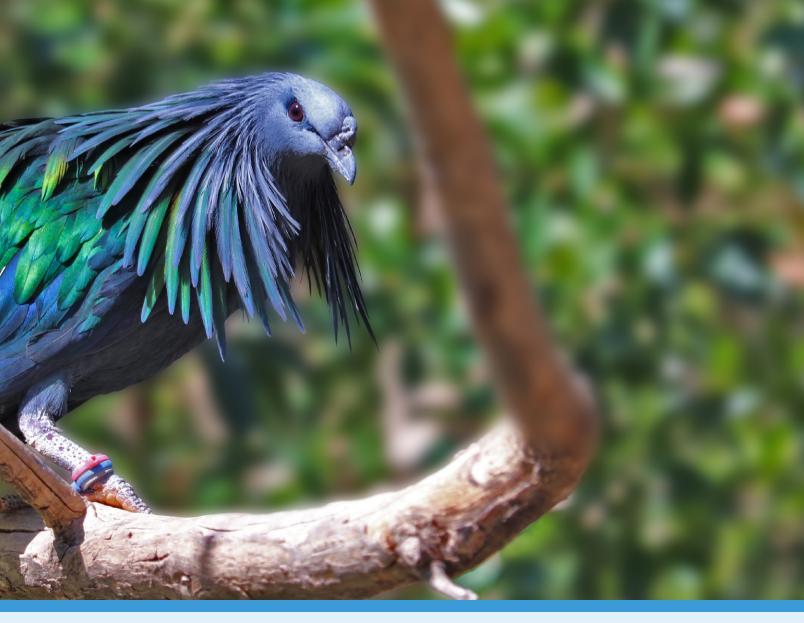
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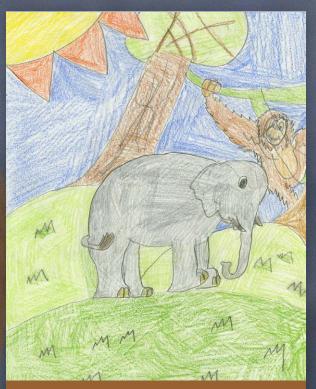
Lilly, Age 6



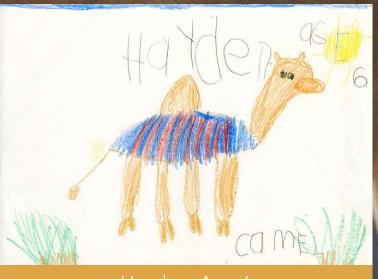
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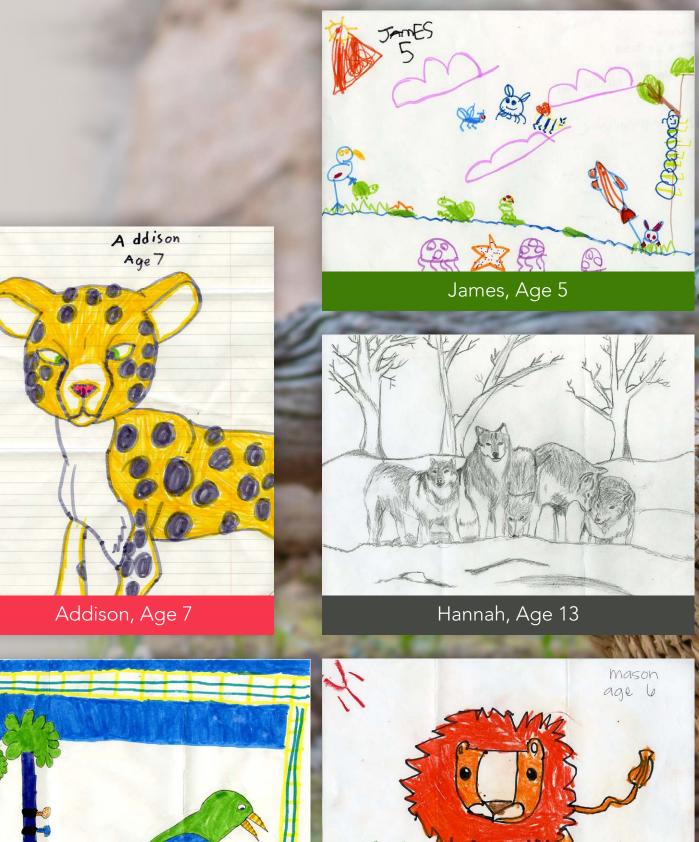
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