

## Edmonton Valley Zoo Awarded Canada 150 Celebration Garden

October 14, 2016

The Edmonton Valley Zoo held a tulip planting ceremony today in honour of its successful application to host a Canada 150 Celebration Garden. One hundred and fifty locations were chosen nationwide by the Canadian Garden Council, with the zoo being one of two locations in Edmonton, and one of two zoos in Canada to participate.

"It is an honour to be a part of this celebration," said Denise Prefontaine, Director, Edmonton Valley Zoo. "The tulip is a symbol of friendship, kindness and hospitality; all values that the zoo upholds with every interaction. This is a wonderful opportunity and we look forward to watching the tulips bloom next year as part of Canada 150 celebrations."

The Valley Zoo's garden was planted at the Four Winds Plaza, behind Guest Services, for the public to view. Each garden site was provided with 1,000 red and white tulips by Vesey's Bulbs of Prince Edward Island to bloom next summer as part of the Canada 150 celebrations. As a nod to the zoo's partnership with Polar Bears International and a symbol of its commitment to conservation, the zoo's garden has been planted in the shape of a polar bear.

The 150 gardens selected will also be linked to the Flagship 150th Celebration Garden Promenade in Niagara Falls, consisting of 25,000 tulips.



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