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Butterflies, baby goats to headline Brevard Zoo exhibit

MELBOURNE, Fla., May 2, 2018 — After a three-year absence, butterflies are fluttering back to Brevard Zoo with feathered, furry and scaly friends in tow.

Dubbed “Butterflies and the Magic of Nature,” the exhibit will feature hundreds of native butterflies, colorful birds, a massive snapping turtle, training demonstrations, hands-on nature play activities and other enchanting attractions.

“Much of the natural world feels like the stuff of magic,” said Michelle Smurl, the Zoo’s director of animal programs. “This exhibit explores the science behind phenomena like metamorphosis, migration, camouflage and pollination in a fun and innovative way.”

The exhibit’s biggest stars may be month-old Nubian goats Violet and Lily. These floppy-eared creatures quickly won Zoo staff over with their sweet, playful personalities.

Presented by Hope and Brian Fisher, Butterflies and the Magic of Nature will run from Saturday, May 26 to Sunday, September 30. Entry is included with general Zoo admission.

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Brevard Zoo is home to more than 900 animals representing 195 species from all over the world. As a not-for-profit organization, it is a leader in the fields of animal wellness, education and conservation. More information is available at www.brevardzoo.org.

Treetop Trek features five aerial obstacle courses that whisk guests above parts of the Zoo and through lush Florida landscapes. More information is available at www.treetoptrek.com.