UNDERSTANDING CHIMPANZEES
THE MIND OF THE CHIMPANZEE
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Lincoln Park Zoo

MEDIA ALERT

Zoo Conference asks, "What's That Chimpanzee Thinking?"
International Mind of the Chimpanzee Conference Explores Ape Insight

WHAT: Three hundred chimpanzee experts from the U.S., Europe and Japan are descending on Lincoln Park Zoo to attend the first international scientific meeting dedicated to chimpanzee cognition. The zoo's Lester E. Fisher Center for the Study and Conservation of Apes – a recognized leader in the field – is hosting the three-day **Mind of the Chimpanzee Conference**, where new findings about how chimpanzees think and process information will be presented.

Researchers at the Fisher Center will discuss with the media the importance of the conference and explain some of the ongoing research projects involving chimpanzees at the zoo's Regenstein Center for African Apes.

VISUALS: Photo opportunities include:

- Chimpanzees at the Regenstein Center for African Apes

WHO: Speakers and interview candidates include:

- **Dr. Elizabeth Lonsdorf,** Conference co-chair, Director of the Lester E. Fisher Center for the Study and Conservation of Apes
- **Steve Ross,** Conference co-chair, Supervisor of behavioral and cognitive research, Lester E. Fisher Center for the Study and Conservation of Apes
- **Dr. Tetsuro Matsuzawa**, Primate Research Institute, Kyoto University
- **Dr. Steven D. Thompson,** Vice President and Emily and John Alexander Chair of Conservation and Science, Lincoln Park Zoo

WHEN: **Thursday March 22, 2:30 p.m.**

WHERE: Regenstein Center for African Apes
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