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Loveland Living Planet Aquarium Celebrates Grand Opening

The Loveland Living Planet Aquarium is opening their doors to the public March 25, at 10:00am! A special ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at 9:00am with Draper Mayor Troy Walker, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Aquarium Jim Loveland, and Aquarium Founder and CEO Brent Andersen.

This 136,000 square foot facility in Draper has been a long time coming. The Living Planet Aquarium first opened at the Gateway Mall back in 2004. Then in 2006, the Aquarium relocated to a 43,000 square foot building in Sandy, featuring 67 exhibits and 2,000 animals. The Loveland Living Planet Aquarium will have 5,000 animals in 74 exhibits. There is about 500,000 gallons of water in the new Aquarium.

One of the most unique features is the immersive Journey to South America gallery. Guests will be able to experience the temperature, humidity, and plant life found in the Amazon rainforest. There are free-flight Amazon birds and many new species to see, including toucans and poison arrow frogs.

The shark tank is the largest tank, at 300,000 gallons. It features a 40-foot walk-through tunnel, where sharks, rays, sea turtles and other fish swim all around Aquarium visitors. It is one of the most popular attractions at the new Aquarium.

The Loveland Living Planet Aquarium is also home to Utah's first 4D theater. 4D is a 3D movie incorporated with additional sensory effects such as wind, mist, scents, leg and back ticklers and seat vibrations. Now showing: "Great White Shark" and "The Last Reef."

The new Aquarium will offer more opportunities for people to discover their connections to the environment and learn how they can make a difference in conserving our ecosystem. We hope you will join us to celebrate Utah's world-class Aquarium!

WHAT: Grand Opening Celebration

WHEN: Tuesday, March 25 at 10:00am, ribbon cutting ceremony at 9:00am

WHERE: Loveland Living Planet Aquarium 12033 South Lone Peak Parkway Draper, UT

Media RSVP requested.

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