

## Lester Fisher: A Timeline

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1928	Bushman is born	1970	Construction starts on the main mall, lion and tiger moats, small mammal house moats, and a new sea lion pool
1930	Bushman arrives Lincoln Park Zoo		
1943	Judy the elephant arrives Lincoln Park Zoo	1970	First birth of a lowland gorilla at Lincoln Park Zoo
1944	Marlin Perkins appointed director of Lincoln Park Zoo	1972–1973	Fisher becomes president, American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums (AAZPA)
1943	Lester Fisher receives DVM from Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine	1976	Kroc Animal Hospital and Commissary is built
1947	Fisher opens his own veterinary clinic in Berwyn, Illinois	1976	Lester Fisher Great Ape House is opened for gorillas, chimpanzees, and orangutans
1947	Fisher works with Wesley Young (part-time zoo veterinarian) assisting in medical procedures	1976	The film <i>Otto: Zoo Gorilla</i> documenting the move of the animals is produced
1948	Young retires and Fisher takes over as the zoo's official part-time veterinarian	1981	Penguin-Seabird building opens
		1982	Antelope & Zebra Area opens
1962	Perkins leaves Lincoln Park Zoo to become director of the St. Louis Zoo	1982	Regenstein Large Mammal House, McCormick Bear Habitat, and Wolf Habitat open
1962	Fisher applies for zoo director job and is hired by the Chicago Park District as the new zoo director	1989	Regenstein Birds of Prey Exhibit opens
1966	Farm-in-the-Zoo opens	1990	First Asian elephant born at Lincoln Park Zoo
1966–1969	Fisher becomes president, American Association of Zoo Veterinarians (AAZV)	1991	McCormick Bird House opens
1968–1980	Fisher teams up with television personality Ray Rayner on WGN-TV to host <i>Ark in the Park</i>	1991	Kovler Lion House opens
		1992	Helen Brach Primate House opens
1968	Lincoln Park Zoo Society develops the zoo's first master plan	1992	Fisher retires as director of the zoo

