

Providence's Roger Williams Zoo's 9-year-old Masai giraffe "Tufani" passes away

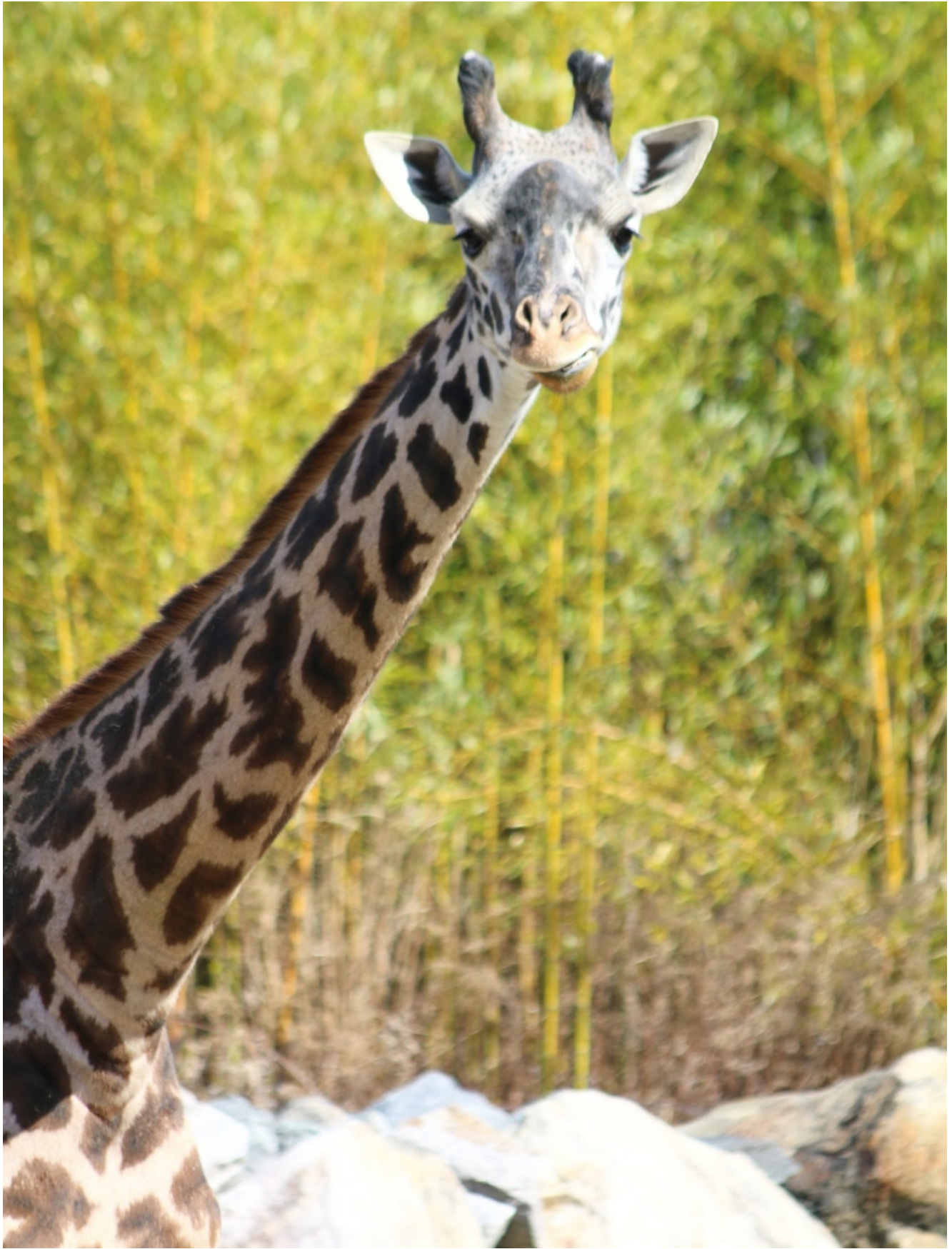
"It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Tufani, the beloved 9-year-old Masai giraffe. After showing signs of gastrointestinal complications, the Zoo's animal care staff worked diligently to provide ongoing medical assistance and keep her comfortable.

The Zoo brought in numerous veterinary experts to help plan a course of treatment, but despite all of these efforts, on Thursday, January 14, Tufani passed away.

Tufani joined the Zoo family in August 2014 and was known by her keepers as a spunky goofball. "She had a mischievous, curious nature about her," said zookeeper Rachael. "She loved to beg for treats and was really just an absolute sweetheart."

She will always hold a special place in the hearts of her keepers, the Zoo staff, volunteers, and all of the people like you who visited her every day. She will be deeply missed.

We encourage people to share photos and fond memories of Tufani so that her keepers may see your remembrances and kind words. ♥️"



Roger Williams Park & Zoo photo.