Who’s who at the zoo?

Black bears of all different hues

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Orson
Our six-year-old male joined the zoo along with sister Teslin in August 2014. He’s always been very active and curious and is usually the first bear up a tree on a warm summer day.

Teslin
Our six-year-old female was named after Teslin Lake which spans the border of British Columbia and the Yukon. She has more reddish tint in her fur than the others.

Manuka
Our 9-year-old female has a distinct sandy blonde coloration and is a very agile tree climber.
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Grizzly bears, how do you do?

Skoki
Our emblematic rescue bear is approximately 33 years old this year. First known as Bear #16, Skoki was removed from the wild in 1996 after becoming habituated to humans wanting to interact and multiple unsuccessful attempts to relocate him.

Khutzeymateen
Our 30 year old female, born here at the Calgary Zoo to parents Curly and Florence. Khutzy is a Barren Ground grizzly bear so she is slightly larger than a typical female.