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TRAVEL 65 MILLION YEARS INTO THE PAST WITH MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM'S DINO DAYS OF SUMMER

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MILWAUKEE — Milwaukee Public Museum (MPM) is bringing *T. rex* and other prehistoric pals back from extinction for three weeks of dinosaur exploration and celebration during Dino Days of Summer, July 7-25. Visitors will be able to examine real fossils and make fossil replicas, test their *di*-knowledge at family trivia night, unearth stories about famous paleontologists and take flight in a Planetarium program that examines modern-day dinosaurs—birds—all against the backdrop of MPM's world-famous dinosaur exhibits.

"When summer is at its hottest, the Museum is the perfect place to keep cool and keep learning—and have fun doing it. MPM's dinosaur exhibits are fan-favorites, and so we're eager to dig into the stories behind our dino displays and specimens to provide visitors of all ages with new insight and appreciation for these fascinating creatures that continue to capture our imaginations," said Erin Goff, MPM Education Events & Volunteer Manager.

Check out MPM's Dino Days lineup:

Dino SOARS! Planetarium Program, daily (closed Tuesdays)

The Daniel M. Soref Dome Theater and Planetarium will show *Dino SOARS!* at 12:10 p.m. (included with general admission). The film explores the fascinating connections between birds and dinosaurs.

Education Stations, Monday-Saturday (closed Tuesdays)

MPM Educators will be on the exhibit floors to engage visitors in special learning opportunities about the following topics (included with general admission):

• Fossil Challenge

What is a fossil? Put your paleontology skills to the test and try deciphering which objects are fossils, which are not and why!

• Dino or Di-No?

We all think we're experts on dinosaurs, but does our knowledge stand up to the geological pressure when put to the test? Learn what sets dinosaurs apart from other prehistoric creatures.

Name-a-Saurus

Did you ever wonder how dinosaurs got their names? Learn about how scientists name species, and put it into practice by creating your own dino name!

Mary Anning, Paleontologist Extraordinaire
 Learn about Mary Anning, 19th-century fossilist, geologist and paleontologist. Dig through her famous finds to unearth your paleontology skills!

Early Learning Saturday Storytime Series: Dinosaurs, July 12 and 19, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Families with young children (recommended for ages 3-8) are invited to the Museum's Early Learning classroom under the Grand Staircase on the Ground Floor for fossil-making, storytimes and other arts and crafts that celebrate all things dino.

Dino Family Trivia, Thursday, July 24, 6-8 p.m.

For those looking to test their *di*-knowledge, MPM is hosting Family Dino Trivia Night. Participants will compete for prizes and bragging rights as the Dino Trivia Champ. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased at mpm.edu/dino-days.

For more information about MPM's Dino Days of Summer, please visit mpm.edu/dino-days.

About the Milwaukee Public Museum

The Milwaukee Public Museum is Wisconsin's natural history museum, welcoming over half a million visitors annually. Located in downtown Milwaukee, the Museum was chartered in 1882, opened to the public in 1884, and currently houses more than 4 million objects in its collections. MPM has three floors of exhibits that encompass life-size dioramas, walk-through villages, world cultures, dinosaurs, a rainforest, and a live butterfly garden, as well as the Daniel M. Soref Dome Theater & Planetarium. MPM is operated by Milwaukee Public Museum, Inc., a private, non-profit company, and its facilities and collections are held in trust and supported by Milwaukee County for the benefit of the public.

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