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FAST FACTS

WHAT: Dinosaurs Unearthed is making its East Coast debut at the Connecticut Science Center! Featuring 14 state-of-the-art animatronic dinosaurs, three life-size articulated skeletons and 23 fossil specimens, Dinosaurs Unearthed provides a unique and immersive sensory experience, transporting visitors back in time.

WHEN: April 6 through September 2, 2012

WHERE: Connecticut Science Center, 250 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT 06103

FEATURED CREATURES:

Animatronic Dinosaurs

Tyrannosaurus-rex (45 ft x 14 ft)

T-rex feathered juvenile (16.40 ft x 3.28 ft x 6.89 ft)

Velociraptor feathered (length 11 feet)

Yangchuanosaurus (12.5 ft x 3.3 ft x 6 ft)

Allosaurus (39.37 feet x 11.15 ft x 6.56 ft)

Angustinaripterus (pterosaur) (9.84 ft x 3.60 ft x 1.64 ft)

Apatosaurus (55.11 ft x 7.87 ft x 21.32 ft)

Confuciusornis (length 3 ft, not including tree)

Dilophosaurus (18.37 ft x 3.11 ft x 6.88 ft)

Gigantoraptor (length 26 ft)

Microraptor (length 3 ft, not including tree)

Protoceratops (12.46 ft x 3.93 ft x 5.24 ft)

Sinosauropteryx (length 7 ft)

Stegosaurus (22.96 ft x 4.92 ft x 9.84 ft)

Articulated Life-Size Skeletons

Omeisaurus (46.58 ft x 7.84 ft x 19 ft)

Toujiangosaurus (14.19 ft x 3.3 ft x 4.62 ft)

Yangchuansaurus (22.96 ft x 4.59 ft x 11.15 ft)

Fossil Specimens

Allosaurus Skull

Carnosaur Footprint

Coprolite – 2

Huayangosaurus

Parascapular Spine

Longipteryx

Mamenchisaurus Femur

Mamenchisaurus Forelimb

Microraptor

Mosasaur Teeth - 1

Spinosaurus Teeth - 3

Omeisaurus Cervical Vertebra

Omeisaurus Bony Tail Club

Shunosaurus Bony Tail Club

Oviraptor Egg

Placoolithus Eggs

Sauropoda Claw

Shunosaurus Phalanges

Supersaurus Scapula

Triceratops Horns

Yandrusaurus Hindfoot

Yangchuanosaurus Skull

Yanornis

Interactive Activities

Interactive Learning Kiosk – 3

Interactive Touch Dinosaur Control Stations - 1

Kid's Dig Table - Find a Skeleton

FEATHER IMPORTANCE:

The feathered animatronic dinosaurs and fossils in the exhibition illustrate the current scientific thinking that some of the best known and loved dinosaurs, such as *Tyrannosaurus Rex*, looked much different than previously thought. At one time all dinosaurs were represented as being fairly reptilian looking with a scaly, leather-like skin. This exhibition explains that from the time of hatching to some juvenile stage, some dinosaurs sported a covering of both scales and a downy covering of hair-like feathers that helped regulate heat.

ADMISSION: Included FREE with Science Center

General Admission or Membership

General Admission: \$17 Adult, \$14 Youth and Kids 3 and under are FREE (Includes Admission and All Exhibits)

Movies: Require a separate ticket

HOURS: Tues – Sunday: 10 AM – 5 PM,

April Vacation: Open Daily April 10 – 22, Extended

Hours April 18 – 22: 10AM – 6PM

Summer Hours: Open Daily June 25 – Sept.2

10AM - 5PM.