

Dinosaurs and more: a visit to the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology

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Post-meeting field trip – one day; trip will run twice: Thursday May 14 and Saturday May 16, 2020

Enjoy a drive across southern Alberta's prairie landscapes and visit the world famous dinosaur museum in Drumheller. Starting from Calgary, we will travel through some classic glaciated terrain, learning about recent landscape change on the way. We will stop at the Horseshoe Canyon overlook for an introduction to the Badlands. Arriving at the Royal Tyrrell Museum, you will have an opportunity to tour the galleries and exhibits at your own pace, after fueling up with lunch at the Museum Café. Don't omit a visit to the *Grounds for Discovery* exhibition, featuring the world's best preserved armoured dinosaur, *Borealopelta*. We will break into small groups for a behind-the-scenes glimpse of the museum's collections.

This is a full-day trip. You should bring a water bottle and snacks for the road. Food is not included; lunch is at your own cost. There is a lot to see inside the museum building, and you also have the opportunity to walk a short trail in the Badlands adjacent to the museum and climb to a viewpoint. If you wish to do outdoor activities, please ensure that you have robust footwear (no flip-flops), a sunhat, and a windbreaker or rain-jacket. Please note that the museum is in a protected area (Midland Provincial Park) where fossil collecting is not permitted.

Enrollment cap for field trip: 46 attendees (for each trip)

Minimum enrollment: 34 attendees (for each trip)

Cost of field trip: \$CAD 50

What's included: Transport to and from the museum, admission to the museum, behind-the-scenes tour

Departure time and location: 08:00 Thursday May 14, 2020 and Saturday May 16, 2020; location TBA (near Convention Centre).

Return time and location: about 19:00; location same as departure location.