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Dino Day 2019 at the Louisiana Art & Science Museum

BATON ROUGE, LA - The Louisiana Art & Science Museum will host its annual Dino Day on **Saturday, June 8**. Visitors of all ages will enjoy a variety of dino-themed hands-on activities from 10 AM to 2 PM and related planetarium shows from 10 AM to 5 PM.

The Museum will provide hands-on art and science activities, investigations of fossils and minerals with the **Baton Rouge Gem & Mineral Society**, and a special lineup of dino-themed planetarium shows. Visitors will also meet Jason, the authentic *Triceratops* skull generously on loan from **Raising Cane's & The Graves Family**. In the auditorium will be showings of *Dinosaur Train* at 12 PM, 1 PM, and 2 PM, sponsored by **Louisiana Public Broadcasting**.

This year, Dino Day will begin with a special breakfast available **exclusively** to Museum members. The doors for members will open at **8:30 AM**. In addition to breakfast and hands-on activities, members will enjoy the premiere of *Dinosaurs: Giants of Patagonia* and a stargazing activity featuring a special appearance by "Rex," LASM's own *Tyrannosaurus Rex*. Non-members are welcome to join at the front desk, gaining free admission to the breakfast as well as yearlong benefits to the Museum and Planetarium. More information on joining the Art & Science Museum can be found at lasm.org/join.

Throughout the day, the Irene W. Pennington Planetarium will screen shows all about dinosaurs. Past favorites such as *Dinosaur Passage to Pangaea* and *Earth's Wild Ride* will return, with *Dinosaurs: Giants of Patagonia* being the newcomer to the planetarium's rotation of shows.

"The theme of dinosaurs is wildly popular for all demographics, so we were very selective in what we chose to bring to the planetarium this year," said Sheree Westerhaus, Director of Operations. "The lineup of shows was chosen especially for its appeal to all ages, especially *Giants of Patagonia*, which follows actual paleontologists as they uncover some of the largest creatures to ever live on our planet."

Dino Day is sponsored in part by **103.3 Classic Hits**, who will be broadcasting live from the Museum from 11 AM to 1 PM. Activities and planetarium shows are included in General Admission. **LPB Kids Club members** enjoy discounted admission to Dino Day, paying \$3.75 with a paying adult.

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IMAGE: Taken at the Louisiana Art & Science Museum near “Jason,” the *Triceratops Prorsus* skull, late Cretaceous Period (68-65 MYA), on loan from Raising Cane’s and The Graves Family. Image courtesy of the Louisiana Art & Science Museum.

About Louisiana Art & Science Museum

A nonprofit organization housed on the banks of the Mississippi River in downtown Baton Rouge, the Louisiana Art & Science Museum enhances the understanding and appreciation of art and science for general audiences and students by presenting unique, educational and entertaining experiences that encourage discovery, inspire creativity, and foster the pursuit of knowledge. More information about the Art & Science Museum is available at lasm.org.

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