

Florida Museum of Natural History



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Permanent Exhibits



Butterfly Rainforest & Butterfly Exhibits

Stroll through this 6,400-square-foot screened, outdoor enclosure with tropical plants and hundreds of living butterflies. View thousands of Lepidoptera species on the “Wall of Wings” and learn about butterfly and moth biology. See scientists working in the Butterfly Rearing Lab and the research labs.



Collections are the Library of Life

Catch a behind-the-scenes glimpse of the Museum’s vast natural history collections. See the skull of Albert, one of the University of Florida’s first live alligator mascots, and open drawers to investigate specimens from the Museum’s collections. The exhibit also highlights the Museum’s more than 100-year history and its internationally recognized collections and research projects.



Florida Fossils: Evolution of Life & Land

Drawing upon the Florida Museum’s internationally acclaimed fossil collections, this award-winning exhibit describes the last 65 million years of Florida’s history. Walk through time beginning with the Eocene, when Florida was underwater, to the Pleistocene, when the first humans arrived 14,000 years ago.



Northwest Florida: Waterways and Wildlife

Follow water as it flows through the unique environments of northwest Florida, the most biodiverse region of the state. Explore a hardwood hammock featuring a life-size limestone cave, a seepage bog with carnivorous plants, a Native American trading scene and more.



South Florida People & Environments

This exhibit celebrates the story of native people in South Florida and the environments that supported them. Walk along a boardwalk through a mangrove forest, travel underwater to view larger-than-life marine creatures, visit the house of a Calusa leader and more.



Fossil Plant Garden

Located outside the Museum entrance, this exhibit is landscaped with modern species of plants whose ancestors lived millions of years ago and are preserved as fossils in many places around the world.



Florida Wildflower & Butterfly Garden

This outdoor demonstration garden showcases Florida’s native wildflowers and their importance as host and nectar plants for Florida’s native butterflies.



Our Energy Future

Step into this room as though entering a home and explore hands-on activities about energy consumption and conservation. Discover how much energy we use daily and how individual behaviors can make a significant difference. Learn about renewable energy technologies and their future potential for Florida.



Explore Research

Learn about some of the UF’s most interesting discoveries and research through this multimedia exhibit. Featuring videos and an interactive Smart Board, the exhibit engages visitors in the journey of scientific discovery. Explore Research is a collaborative project of the Museum, UF’s Office of Research and Scientific Thinking and Educational Partnership.

Changing Exhibits

West Gallery Exhibits

Enjoy smaller rotating exhibits featuring photography and other art with natural history themes. Ask at the front desk or check the Museum website for a detailed list.

Cruisin’ the Fossil Freeway | *Through Sept. 3, 2012* *With Artist Ray Troll and Paleontologist Kirk Johnson*

The dinosaurs are here. View Florida Museum fossils and discover the whimsical artwork of Ray Troll with insights from paleontologist Kirk Johnson. Observe Museum scientists preparing fossils from the field and explore questions about evolution, extinction and early life on Earth. See the horned dinosaur *Triceratops horridus*, a *T. rex* skull, a giant ammonite and more. *Cruisin’ the Fossil Freeway* was organized by the Burke Museum at the University of Washington. Presented by the Toomey Foundation for the Natural Sciences, Inc.

Peanuts...Naturally | *Sept. 29, 2012-Jan. 2, 2013*

Peanuts...Naturally takes a light-hearted look at Charles Schulz’s exploration of the natural world through *Peanuts* comic strips, videos, objects and interactive stations. Visitors get a *Peanuts*-eye view of topics including the universe, “web of nature,” trees, birds, the elements of snow, wind, rain and clouds, gardening and Charlie Brown’s Environmental Protection Agency escapade. Scientifically oriented interactive stations and specimens from the Florida Museum’s collections will allow visitors to learn more about and appreciate the wonders of the natural world. Organized by the Charles M. Schulz Museum, Santa Rosa, Calif.

Dugout Canoes: Paddling through the Americas | *Through November 2013*

Don’t miss the boat! Find out how dugout canoes have affected life and travel throughout the Americas, from Florida to the Amazon and the Pacific. Discover the world’s largest find – 101 ancient dugouts at Newnans Lake, Fla. – and learn how this tradition is alive and well in native communities today.

Discovery Room | *Open indefinitely*

Encourage your child’s curiosity and wonder in the ever-changing hands-on Discovery Room! Live animals, preserved specimens from Museum collections and a variety of science resources provide many opportunities for families to learn about the world together.

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