

## Something BIG is Coming to Assiniboine Park Zoo this Summer – *Dinosaurs Uncovered* Opens May 20 –

**For immediate release:** Winnipeg, April 15, 2021 – The Assiniboine Park Zoo is thrilled to announce that **Dinosaurs Uncovered**, an exciting and interactive new dinosaur experience, will open on Thursday, May 20 and be available for a limited time only this summer at the Zoo.

Dinosaurs Uncovered will include outdoor and indoor displays that invite visitors to explore the fascinating world of dinosaurs from the inside out. The outdoor component will feature 17 life-size, animatronic dinosaurs along a forested trail in the northwest area of the Zoo. Visitors will also be able to explore a dynamic new indoor display featuring museum-quality skeletons, fossils, and artifacts in a rotating exhibit gallery known as the Doug Harvey, Jan Shute and Family Centre.

A robust and interactive interpretive experience will encourage curious visitors to dig deep and learn about the latest archaeological discoveries, emerging technology and science, and evolutionary connections between distant dinosaur species and their modern-day relatives.

"For millions of years, dinosaurs roamed and ruled our planet. Their sheer size and the incredible diversity of dinosaur species is fascinating as is their story of evolution and extinction," said Karen Lind, Director of Education & Programs, Assiniboine Park Conservancy. "And there is still so much more to learn! Each and every day, we are expanding our knowledge of dinosaurs and their natural history. It is a captivating and never-ending journey of discovery!"

Dinosaurs Uncovered will feature dinosaurs from the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous periods including the fearsome Tyrannosaurs Rex, massive Omeisaurus, and small but mighty Velociraptor, plus more recently discovered species like the feathered Dakotaraptor.

Dinosaurs Uncovered officially opens on Thursday, May 20 prior to the May long weekend and is included with regular Zoo admission. Visitors are encouraged to purchase tickets online to avoid line-ups at the Zoo entrance. Tickets purchased online are valid for one-time use any time within 90 days of the date of purchase.

All active Zoo members are invited to enjoy a members-only preview of the new exhibit from May 15 - 19, prior to the public opening. Members will be asked to show their Member ID card to gain entry to the new exhibit during the preview. Memberships can be purchased online or in person at the Zoo.

Please visit our website for more information.

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