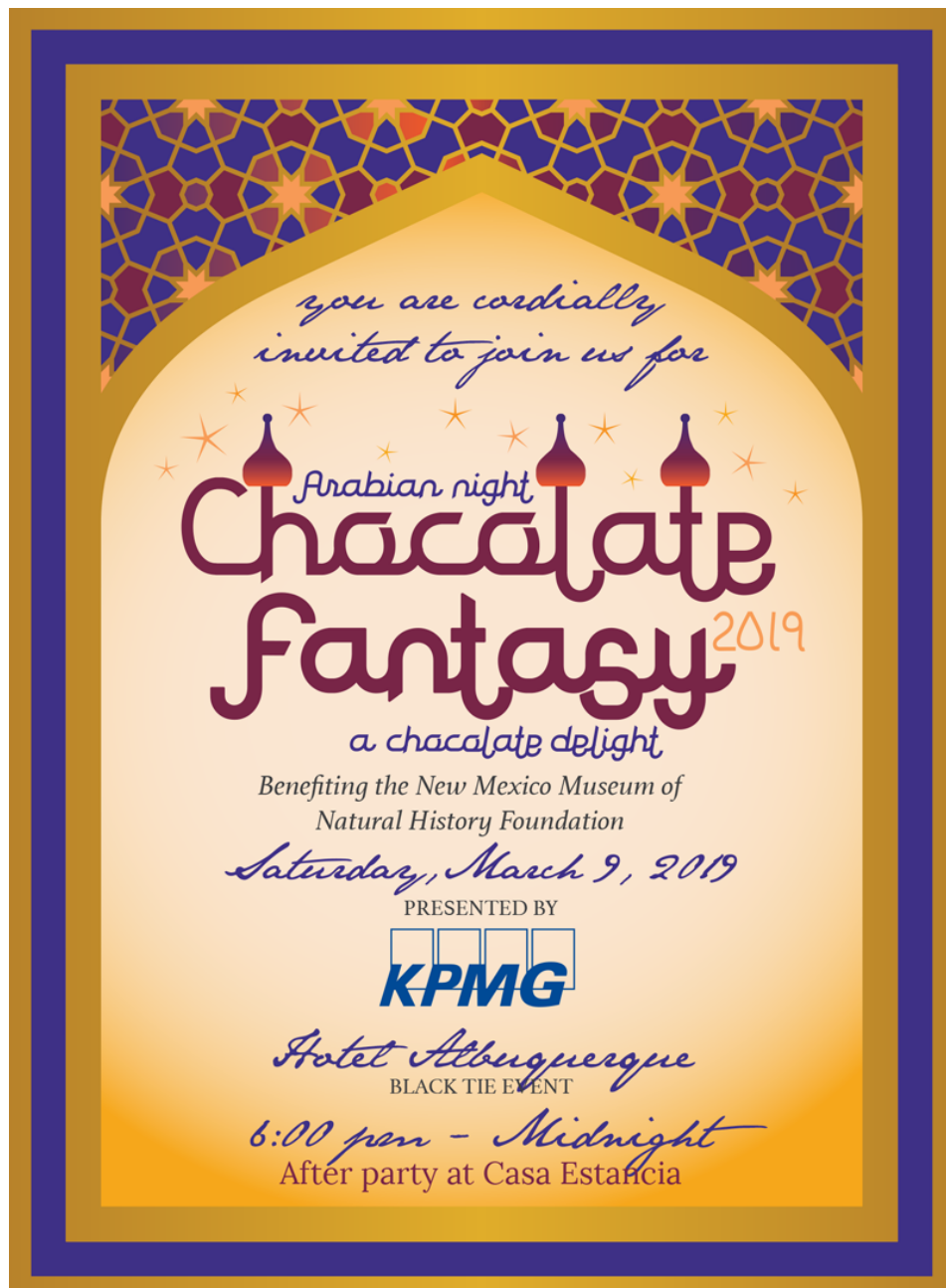




Hot Ticket: Chocolate Fantasy Fundraiser 2019!



2018 was a SOLD OUT event. 2019 is already 55% sold out for tables. Reserve yours today!

The theme for the 27th Annual Chocolate Fantasy Gala is "Arabian Night, A Chocolate Delight" - and it will include Mideast inspired menus, a vibrant bazaar, engaging entertainment, bright bohemian style tents, and more (and of course CHOCOLATE!)

- Mideast inspired menu including: Honey Roasted Eggplant Skewers, Lamb and Shallot Kabobs, Hummus, Baba Ganoush, Labneh, Tatabbouleh, Grilled Pita and Flatbreads, River Salmon, Braised Short Rib, Honey Roasted Pears, Strawberry Apricot Parfait, and more!
- Vibrant bazaar displaying an array of auction items
- Engaging entertainment
- Bright Bohemian style tents & seating areas
- And, of course, chocolate! Chocolatiers from around the state will create magnificent chocolate sculptures, competing for coveted awards and provide delicious samples of the richest chocolates for guests to enjoy.

Also occurring at Chocolate Fantasy will be the raffle drawing for an exotic and glamorous Dubai getaway. Dubai is a stirring alchemy of profound traditions and ambitious futuristic vision wrapped into starkly evocative desert splendor! This \$6,000 package includes: Two (2) Round trip economy air from Albuquerque to Dallas Fort Worth, two (2) Round trip economy air on Emirates airline Dallas to Dubai, 5 nights' deluxe accommodations transfers to the hotel and to

the airport, and tour the Burj Khalifa, Old Dubai, Museum, Spice Market, Gold Market, and Dubai and Emirates Malls.

Tickets to the fundraiser are available for \$200/each or \$2500 for a table of ten. Contact Sherri Wells today, before it sells out, at SWells@naturalhistoryfoundation.org or 505-841-2828. [Click here for more information or to purchase tickets](#)

Brain, The Inside Story Coming To The Museum **February 16th**



Following the success of the *Da Vinci*, *the Genius Within*, the next amazing blockbuster exhibition coming to the Museum is *Brain: The Inside Story* coming to us from the American Museum of Natural History, New York City. Members will receive free access to this exhibition. Arriving in February, it is filled with digital interactive experiences that will engage you as you explore your senses, emotions and thoughts, and learn about the science of brain development and the brain of the 21st century.

The five themes included in the exhibition are:

- **Your Sensing Brain.** How does the brain interpret what we see, hear, touch, smell and taste? Exhibits demonstrate how the brain processes sensory data.
- **Your Emotional Brain.** How do humans process emotions differently from other animals? Try to build a brain and learn what each region of the brain does.
- **Your Thinking Brain.** Explore through hands-on interactives how language, memory, and reasoning are essential to the way we think.
- **Your Changing Brain.** The things we do change our brains by making neural connections. Play brain-training games and discover how these exercises keep the brain sharp.
- **Your 21st-Century Brain.** How do new insights and technologies change how we treat disease? Explore new technologies and see real scans of the brain in action in the Brain Lounge.

Brain: The Inside Story is organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York (amnh.org), in collaboration with Codice.Idee per la Cultura, Torino, Italy, in association with Comune di Milano-Assessorato Cultura, Italy; the Guangdong Science Center, Guangzhou, China and Parque de las Ciencias, Granada, Spain

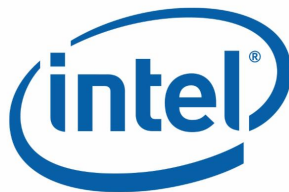
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The NM Museum of Natural History Foundation Partners with AFME for Film Series which Kicks Off with *The Lego Movie* in 3D on January 26th



The New Mexico Museum of Natural History Foundation has announced a partnership with the Albuquerque Film & Music Experience (AFME) to present a series of films in the DynaTheater inside the NM Museum of Natural History and Science. The DynaTheater is a large-format digital 3D movie theater, featuring a five-story giant screen complete with digital surround sound.

The AFME Film Series will feature a wide variety of films for movie-lovers of all ages, including classics, comedies, dramas and family movies. The series will kick off on January 26, 2019 with a special presentation of *The LEGO Movie* in 3D - giving audiences the opportunity to enjoy this 3D family favorite on the DynaTheater's giant screen.

To order tickets now, click [HERE](#). To see the schedule and order tickets in advance, click [HERE](#).

Drugs: Costs and Consequences Opening January 26th



Drugs: Costs and Consequences is an educational exhibit from the Drug Enforcement Administration Museum that began a national tour in 2002. Visitors will also gain an understanding of the environmental effects of illegal drugs and what law enforcement, drug

abuse education, and treatment are doing to break the deadly cycle of drug abuse and drug-related violence in America.

With newly expanded content and a section specific to the current illegal drugs statistics in New Mexico, the exhibit explains the science behind drug addiction and presents both a global and historical overview of the many costs and consequences of drug abuse on individuals, families and communities across American Society and the world.

Premiering at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science January 26, 2019, the exhibit is free for members or available with museum admission for visitors.

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Membership is your exclusive annual ticket to the fascinating exhibits, shows, and special events at one of New Mexico's finest educational, cultural and research institutions.

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- **Unlimited admission to the Museum for a year**
- **Member Mondays! Free admission for members to the Dynatheater (check in at front desk to redeem)**
- Free admission to more than 300 other museums in the U.S.
- Free admission to Drugs: Costs & Consequences exhibit in 2019
- Free admission to Brain: The Inside Story exhibit in 2019
- 30% discounts on DynaTheater and Planetarium tickets
- 10% discount in the NatureWorks Discovery Store and Hope Café
- An e-mail subscription to Membership Matters, the Foundation's e-newsletter

Signing up is easy! Simply contact April Crespín, Membership Representative at: acrespin@naturalhistoryfoundation.org or call 841-2889.



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Gordodon Fossil Now on Exhibit at the Museum!



Gordodon is a new, sail-backed reptile based on an incomplete skeleton found in Permian age rocks (about 300 million years old) near Alamogordo, New Mexico. The unique structure of the skull, jaws and teeth of Gordodon indicate it was a surprisingly specialized plant eater (herbivore). Previously, such specialized plant eating was not known in reptiles older than about 200 million years. So, Gordodon rewrites the books by pushing back our understanding of the evolution of such specialized herbivory by about 100 million years.

Back to Bones



New Mexico is well-known for its rich fossil record spanning some 500 million years. Of particular note are the many unique fossil vertebrates that include fishes, amphibians, reptiles (turtles, dinosaurs, and birds) and mammals. This exhibit displays some of the recent discoveries and iconic fossils from the 'Land of Enchantment' that were collected by the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science.

This exhibit was made possible by the support of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

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Birds of the Bosque del Apache



FIELD TRIP PREP TALK

Jan 24 2019 - 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Location: 1801 Mountain Rd NW Albuquerque, NM 87104

Laurel Ladwig will give a Bosque del Apache preview talk for field trip participants on Thursday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the Museum.

FIELD TRIP

Jan 27 2019 - 10:00am to 9:00pm

Location: 1801 Mountain Rd NW Albuquerque, NM 87104

Trip Leaders: Laurel Ladwig, Birder/Photographer and Tish Morris, Karen Herzenberg and Helen Haskell, Naturalists

Join us on a day-long journey and see thousands of birds at New Mexico's own world-famous refuge south of Socorro. Drive there on your own OR come with us in the Museum van (limited van seats! You must let us know when you register). We will stop for a sack lunch (bring your own lunch) and then board a large, Refuge bus for the afternoon. We will identify as many species of birds as we can until dusk. Trip includes dinner in Socorro.

Laurel Ladwig is a life-long birder and photographer. Tish Morris is a naturalist and retired Museum educator who has led many field trips for the Museum, including annual trips to Bosque del Apache. Karen Herzenberg and Helen Haskell have been birding and guiding trips for years.

No experience necessary-come and join the fun! Preregistration is required. Space is limited to 25 participants. Adults only. [Go to www.NMnaturalhistory.org](http://www.NMnaturalhistory.org) for registration.

Cost: \$75 for the field trip and talk (\$67.50 for museum members)

(Cost Includes the preview talk, limited seats in the Museum vans, snacks, bus and tour guides at Bosque del Apache, and dinner in Socorro)

Questions: Tish Morris email tish.morris11@gmail.com



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The Foundation's objectives are to receive, raise and administer funds for the benefit of the Museum and to provide the Museum with a widespread base of community support.

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