

ROYAL TYRRELL MUSEUM

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ALBERTA UNEARTHED: 25 Stories of Discovery

Features our 25 most significant specimens.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- a stunning *T. rex* named “Black Beauty” with rare darkened bones tinted by manganese during fossilization. “Black Beauty” is one of only two *T. rex* specimens ever discovered in Alberta.
- one of the most complete ichthyosaurs (marine reptile) of its age known from North America. The 110-million-year-old *Platypterygius* was uncovered during routine mining operations at Syncrude Canada in Fort McMurray.
- a fossilized nest containing eggs of the duck-billed dinosaur *Hypacrosaurus stebingeri* from Devil’s Coulee—Canada’s first dinosaur egg nesting site.
- the braincase of the small, meat-eating dinosaur *Troodon* that eventually helped to confirm the bird-dinosaur connection.

CRETACEOUS ALBERTA

Takes visitors back 69 million years to ancient Alberta.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- four spectacular life-size *Albertosaurus* models
- an immersive semi-tropical Cretaceous environment
- innovative use of audio and visual technology to enhance the visitor experience

LORDS OF THE LAND

Showcases some of the Museum’s most rare, fragile, and significant carnivores as works of art.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- the partial skull of *Atrociraptor*, a holotype specimen (the first of its kind to be found anywhere)
- one of the most complete and best preserved *Gorgosaurus* skeletons in a dramatic death pose
- an enormous 13.7-metre long *Tyrannosaurus rex*



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