

Edinburgh International Science Festival to introduce dinosaurs to the capital



Dinosaurs will be on the loose this Easter weekend at Our Dynamic Earth, taking you back about 231 million years.

From 4 – 19 April, there will be a distinctly Jurassic feel at Our Dynamic Earth as it welcomes a selection of lifelike dinosaur models which will be on display throughout the iconic building.

To celebrate the return of these monstrous creatures, there will be a feast of dinosaur-themed fun and games. Youngsters can try to outrun a virtual dinosaur, take part in a 'Dino Hunt' treasure trail, or have their photo taken against a forest backdrop with a giant Tyrannosaurus Rex bursting through the trees behind them.

The jaw-dropping attraction has also teamed up with Voluntary Arts Scotland, as part of this year's Edinburgh International Science Festival, to host a celebration of the world's diverse landscapes. Central to this will be the 'Standards of Scottish Heritage' Felt Panel Exhibition, which consists of 24 handcrafted felt panels celebrating all aspects of Scottish heritage, from our landscape, plants and animals to arts and crafts, science, medicine and industry.

To coincide with this exhibition, from 5 – 7 April and 12 – 14 April, visitors will have the chance to engage with scientists and discover more about our unique landscapes, as well as contributing to a collaborative felt panel inspired by either ocean or tropical environments. Plus, on 5 and 13 April, visitors can explore the natural dyeing properties of plants

at 'Plant Magic' by creating an image to take home using a plant and a hammer.



Commenting on Easter's additions, Eilidh Massie, marketing manager of Dynamic Earth said: "Our dinosaur guests were incredibly popular when they last visited us, so we're very excited about their return. It seemed only right that we should honour their stay with a dedicated dino-fest. Whether visitors want a Tyrannosaurus sprint or an Aragosaurus selfie this Easter, Dynamic Earth is the place to come!"

On top of all the dinosaur delights, regular Dynamic Earth features include Scotland's only permanent 4D cinema, a real iceberg, a bone-shaking earthquake, and a tropical rainforest.

The dinosaur activities and the Edinburgh International Science Festival events are free with admission to Dynamic Earth.

Edinburgh International Science Festival events hosted at Dynamic Earth include the Felt Panel Exhibition with an oceans theme on 5-7 April and a tropical theme on 12-14 April.

For more information on events and activities happening at Our Dynamic Earth, visit www.dynamicearth.co.uk.

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