Discovery Center of Idaho Announces New Exhibition, Mummies of the World: The Exhibition

The new exhibition, opening April 27th, brings one of the largest collections of real mummies and related artifacts ever assembled to Boise, Idaho.

BOISE, ID- April 1, 2024 -- The Discovery Center of Idaho is thrilled to announce the arrival of a world-class traveling exhibition <u>Mummies of the World: The Exhibition</u>, opening on April 27th, 2024. Featuring one of the largest collections of real mummies and related artifacts ever assembled, <u>Mummies of the World: The Exhibition</u> presents a one-of-a-kind collection of naturally and intentionally preserved human and animal mummies. This compelling exhibition, presented with reverence and dignity, includes ancient mummies from South America, Europe and ancient Egypt, some dating back thousands of years.

Visitors will embark on a journey into the extraordinary world of mummies and the mummification process. Through modern science, engaging interactives and multimedia exhibits, this exhibition reveals how the scientific study of mummies provides a window into the lives of ancient people from every region of the world, offering unprecedented insights into past cultures and civilizations. Additionally, the exhibition's electronic and mechanical interactive displays allow visitors to experience mummies like never before.

"We are thrilled to host the *Mummies of the World: The Exhibition* this spring and throughout the summer," said Erin Seymour, Education Director at the Discovery Center of Idaho. "Researchers from fields including archaeology, biology, chemistry, engineering and anthropology among many others have carefully worked together to collect and interpret valuable details about the lives (and deaths) of animals and humans. Learning about these purposeful and accidental preservation techniques, as well as delving into these mummies' stories, gives us a unique opportunity to explore the past and shape the future."

Mummies of the World is one of the most successful traveling exhibitions touring today, having visited over 24 cities since opening in July 2010 in Los Angeles, California. To date, this exhibition has been viewed by over 2.3 million visitors across the United States and Europe and has been called a "must see" by Fox TV, "absolutely extraordinary" by PBS TV and "magical and mythical" by the New York Times.

Alongside *Mummies of the World*, which will be hosted in two of the Discovery Center's galleries, the center's remaining popular hands-on exhibits will remain open, such as *BRICKS!*, *Classics Collection*, *TINKER THE T-REX*, *Young Learners* and more. Prepare to step into a world where STEM and the arts seamlessly intertwine at the Discovery Center of Idaho.

Please note: Mummies of the World: The Exhibition content may vary by market and/or venue.

To learn more about the exhibition, visit the <u>Discovery Center of Idaho's website</u>. To view press kits, schedule a media visit, or download media assets, visit the <u>Discovery Center of Idaho's press page</u>.

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About the Discovery Center of Idaho

The Discovery Center of Idaho is a private non-profit 501(C)3 organization. Our mission is to inspire lifelong interest and learning in science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) and the arts. We believe learning is fun and expands minds and lives. Because of the opportunities and exhibitions we provide, our community is more scientifically literate, curious and empowered to explore. Admission is FREE for <u>members</u>. For non-members, admission is \$25.50 for adults ages 18+, \$22.50 for seniors ages 65+, \$17.50 for youth ages 2-17, FREE for children under age 2. \$2 discounts for active military and veterans. Our pricing supports our ability to bring world-class traveling exhibitions to the Treasure Valley. The Discovery Center offers timed entry ticket purchases with limited capacity. We also offer the *Museums for All* subsidized program available for those with a valid EBT card. We're open 10am to 4:30pm Monday - Saturday and 12pm to 4:30pm on Sundays. Visit <u>dcidaho.org</u> for more information.