

Field Museum



Tactile and Auditory Guide

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This tactile and auditory guide lists items that can either be touched or heard during your visit. The Field Museum is a dynamic institution and we are always updating areas so some items may have been relocated, removed, or added.

This list sorts the items into exhibits within the museum. If an "A" is by the object name, then it is auditory, and a "T" signifies tactile and an "S" signifies smell.

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| 14 | Africa (Closed for Renovation) |
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| 12 | DNA Discovery Center |
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GROUND LEVEL

1. Bushman (Ground Level)

T Gorilla Hand Model

2. Underground Adventure (Ground Level)

A Video- "Introduction to Micro-Soil Laboratory" with English subtitles

A Shrinking Chamber Sound Effects

A Soil Crunching Sound Effects

A Mole Tracking Station

T Walls of Soil, Roots, and Small Bugs

T Giant Model Coin

T Giant Model Snail Shell

T Giant Model June Beetle Larvae

T Giant Model Fungi Roots

T Giant Model Seed

T Giant Model Cicada Exoskeletons

T Giant Model Sprouting Acorn

3. The Machine Inside: Biomechanics (Ground Level)

A Heartbeat Ambient Audio

A Video- "Locomotion"

3. Biomechanics (Continued)

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| A | Video- "Fins" with English/Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "Wings" with English/Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "Spring or Swing?" with English/Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "Muscles" with English/Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "The Bigger they are, the Harder they Fall" with English/Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "The Bigger they are, the Harder to Cool" with English/Spanish subtitles |
| T | Human Heart Replica |
| T | Golden Eagle Heart Replica |
| T | European Pond Turtle Heart Replica |
| T | Common Water Frog Heart Replica |
| T | Northern Pike Heart Replica |
| T | Tree Rings |
| T | Chimpanzee Palm Replica |
| T | Chimpanzee Grip Strength Interactive |
| T | Talons x6 |
| T | Stone Crab Claw Replica |
| T | Termite Hill |
| T | Worm Tunnels |
| T | Paradise Flying Snake Replica |
| 3. Biomechanics (Continued) | |
| T | Moving Through Fluid: Gravity Interactive |
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4. Insects (Ground Level)

A Cicada Sounds, 3 Species

5. Inside Ancient Egypt (Ground Level)

T Black Granite Sarcophagus

T Stone Walls

MAIN LEVEL

1. Stanley Field Hall (Main Level)

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| T | Maximo- Patigotitan Femur Cast |
| T | African Elephants Bronze Scale Model |
| T | Quetzalcoatlus Bronze Scale Model |
| T | Red Cedar Wood Sample near Totem or Monument Poles |
| T | Discovery Squad Carts, hours vary |

2. Ancient Americas (Main Level)

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|---|--|
| A | Welcome Video- Languages of Native America |
| A | Origins |
| A | Spears Video |
| A | Maxine McBrinn Video |
| A | Farming: Tim Kohler Video |
| A | Guanaco Video |
| A | Maize Video |
| A | Dr. Winnifred Creamer Video |
| A | State Society Video |
| A | Expedition: Oaxaca, Mexico Video |
| A | Language of an Ancient Mayan Military Leader |
| A | Past Meets Present |

2. Ancient Americas (Continued)

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| A | Ambient Drumming Music by Mark Cleveland |
| T | Clovis Spearpoint Model |
| T | Fishtail Spearpoint Model |
| T | Mastodon Teeth Model |
| T | Mammoth Teeth Model |
| T | Chipped Rock |
| T | Grainy Stone |
| T | Twisted Weave |
| T | Woven Weave |
| T | Red Abalone Shell |
| T | White Deer Bone |
| T | Colombian Greenstone |
| T | Colombian Redstone |
| T | Freshwater Mussel Shell |
| T | Teotihuacan Pillars |
| T | Planned City Teotihuacan Tactile Map |
| T | Ceramic Casts |
| T | Giant Eastern Pacific Conch |

3. Temporary Exhibit (Ticket Required) (Main Level)

4. Temporary Exhibit (Ticket Required) (Main Level)

5. Northwest Coast (Main Level)

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| A | Archival Footage- "Following the Animals" (15 Minutes) |
| A | Archival Footage- "Hunting Forest and Sea" (10 Minutes) |
| A | Archival Footage- "Potlatch Celebration" (15 Minutes) |
| A | Archival Footage- "Living in Seasons" (10 Minutes) |
| A | Archival Footage- "Dancing in the Spirit World" (10 Minutes) |
| A | Archival Footage- "Stories of the World" (10 Minutes) |
| A | Archival Footage- "Art of the Northwest" (15 Minutes) |
| A | Archival Footage- "Carvings of the Arctic" (10 Minutes) |
| T | Northwest Coast Home Interior, Ceremonial Use |
| T | Arctic Peoples Subterranean House |

6. Native Truths: Our Stories, Our Voices (Main Level)

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| A | Music by Frank Waln |
| A | "Never Alone" Video Game Sound Effects |
| A | Video "Chaco Canyon" with English subtitles |
| A | Video- "Meskwaki Growing Season 2020" with English subtitles |
| A | Video- "Native Stories" with English subtitles |

6. Native Truths (Continued)

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| A | Video- "Forced Removal" with English subtitles |
| A | Video- "Reservation Dogs" with English subtitles |
| A | Poetry |

6.1 Pawnee Earth Lodge- Hours Vary (Main Level)

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| A | Earth Lodge Welcome Video |
| T | Rotation of Tactile Objects and Presenters |

7. Science Hub- 10am-3pm (Main Level)

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| T | Rotation of Tactile Objects with Museum Staff |
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8. Inside Ancient Egypt - Mastaba (Main Level)

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| T | Hieroglyphs at Mastaba Entrance |
| T | Hieroglyphs in Storage Room |
| T | Stone Walls and Wooden Beams |

9. What is an Animal? (Main Level)

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| A | Video- "Definition: What is an Animal?" |
| A | Ocean Animal Sounds |
| A | Electrical Sensing Activity |
| A | Mating Calls: Bullfrog, Cricket, Drosophila Flies, Cicada, Marsh Wren |

9. What is an Animal? (Continued)

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| A | Warnings: Domestic Dog, Rattlesnake, Butterfly, Burrowing Owl |
| A | Video- "Making a Living" |
| A | Video- "Definition: What is an Animal?" Exit to Mammals of Africa |
| A / T | Electrical Sensing Activity |

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| T | Barnacle |
| T | Hystrostatic Skeleton |
| T | Exoskeleton Crab |
| T | Endoskeleton Bones |
| T | Sea Urchin |
| T | Coral |
| T | Snail Shells |

10. Bird Habitats (Main Level)

None

11. Mammals of Africa (Main Level)

None

12. Tsavo Lions (Main Level)

A Multimedia Presentation- “Tsavo Lions”

13. Temporary Exhibition- Rice Gallery (Main Level)

None

14. Africa (Main Level)

None Africa Exhibit undergoing renovations

15. Mammals of Asia (Main Level)

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| None | |
| 16. World of Mammals (Main Level) | |
| A | Sperm Whale Vocalizations |
| A | Black Right Whale Vocalizations |
| T | Nine-Banded Armadillo Hide |
| T | Pangolin Scales |
| T | Mule Deer Antler |
| T | Domestic Sheep Horn |
| T | Elephant Molar |
| T | Tiger Premolar |
| T | Human Molar |
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| 17. Messages From the Wilderness (Main Level) | |
| A | Video- "Deer Population" |
| A | Environmental Icy Wind Audio |
| A | Video- Bison, English Captions |
| A | Environmental Jaguar Growl Audio |
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| 18. Birds (Main Level) | |
| A | Black-throated Blue Warbler Call |

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| A | Common Loon Call |
| A | Duck Calls |
| A | Grouse Call |
| A | Prairie Chicken Call |
| A | “Bird Watchers” Video, English Captions |
| A | Northern Bobwhite Call |
| A | Chachalaca Call |
| A | Winter Wren Call (Ultrasonics) |
| A | Willow Flycatcher Call |
| A | Alder Flycatcher Call |
| A | Ovenbird Call |
| A | Chestnut-sided Warbler Call |
| A | White-eyed Vireo Call |
| 18. Birds (Continued) | |
| A | Jackass Penguin Call |
| A | Great Tinamou Call |
| A | Bogota Call |
| A | Mockingbird Call |
| A | Mockingbird Imitation Call |
| A | Kookaburra Call |
| A | Ambient Birdsong in Gallery |
| T | Common Loon Tracks |

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| T | Red Necked Grebe Tracks |
| T | Duck Replica |
| T | Horseshoe Crab Replica |
| T | Scuba Diver's Fin |
| T | Bronze Talon (Harpy Eagle) |
| T | Bronze Head/Beak (Harpy Eagle) |
| T | Elephant Bird Egg Replica |
| T | Ostrich Egg Model |
| T | Pliers |
| T | Utensils |
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19. Nature Walk (Main Level)

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| A | Northern Screamer Call |
| A | Horned Screamer Call |
| A | Whooping Crane Call |
| A | Sandhill Crane Call |
| A | Frogs Croaking |
| T | Flamingo Nest Replica |
| T | Bronze Alligator Replica |

UPPER LEVEL

0. Balcony (Upper Level)

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| A | Video “Malvina Hoffman: Races of Mankind” with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Ask Maximo Interactive near DNA Discovery Center |
| T | Quetzalcoatlus |
| T | Other dinosaur Evolving Planet |

1. Evolving Planet (Upper Level)

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| A | Video- “Hostile Earth” with English subtitles |
| A | Video- “Dr. Philipp Heck” with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- “Genes” with English subtitles |
| A | Video- “Fossils” with English subtitles |
| A | Video- “Pollen and Seeds” with English subtitles |
| A | Forest Environmental Audio- Insect Wings, Plant Life |
| A | Video- “Dr. John Bolt” with English subtitles |
| A | Video- “Mass Extinction #3” with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- “Mammals” with English subtitles |
| A | Exhibit Continues past Dinosaurs/ Sue the T. Rex |
| A | Video- “Dr. Lance Grande” with English subtitles |
| A | Video- “Convergent Evolution” |
| A | Video- “Dr. Robert Martin” |

1. Evolving Planet (Continued)

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| A | Ice Age Environmental Audio- Howling Wind |
| A | Video- "Ice Age" with English subtitles |
| A | Video- "Extinction Today" with English subtitles |
| T | Stromatolite |
| T | Banded Iron Formation |
| T | Brachiopod Shells |
| T | Gastropod Shells |
| T | Bryozoans and Cephalopod Mollusks |
| T | Forest Environment- Tree Trunks, Forest Floor, Insects |
| T | Horsetail Fossil Replica |
| T | Giant Arthropod Replica |
| T | Lycophyte Fossil Replica |
| T | Conifer Trunk Cross Section |
| T | Morganucodon Bronze Model |
| T | Cup-Shaped Hip Bronze Model |
| T | Open Hip Socket Bronze Model |
| T | Exhibit Continues past Dinosaurs/ Sue the T. Rex |
| T | Lucy- Australopithecines Hand and Face Model |
| T | Homo Ergaster Hand and Face Model |
| 1. Evolving Planet (Continued) | |
| T | Homo Sapiens Hand and Face Model |
| T | Cranial Capacity Cubic Models |

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| T | Mammal Movement Tactile Map |
| T | Sabertooth Cast |
| T | Tar Trap |
| T | Mastodon Molar |
| T | Asian Elephant Molar |
| T | Wooly Mammoth Molar |

2. Dinosaurs (Upper Level)

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| A | Stegosaurus Pronunciation |
| A | Rapetosaurus Pronunciation |
| A | Apatosaurus Pronunciation |
| A | Video- "Apatosaurus Identity Crisis" with English subtitles |
| A | Video- "Dr. Pete Makovicky" with English subtitles |
| A | Daspletosaurus Pronunciation |
| A | Video- "Coevolution" with English subtitles |
| A | Lambeosaurus Pronunciation |
| A | Ceratopsians Pronunciation |
| A | Triceratops Pronunciation |

2. Dinosaurs (Continued)

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| A | Parasaurolophus Pronunciation |
| A | Parasaurolophus Voice and Model |
| A | Video- "Dr. Olivier Rieppel" |

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| A | Video- "Dr. Peter Wagner/ Dr. Scott Lidgard" |
| A | Archaeopteryx Pronunciation |
| A | Video- "Archaeopteryx" with English and Spanish Subtitles |
| T | Apatosaurus Footprint |
| T | Sauropod Peg-like Tooth Replica |
| T | Sauropod Spoon-shaped Tooth Replica |
| T | T. Rex Tooth Replica |
| T | Triceratops Skull Replica |
| T | Anchiceratops Skull Replica |
| T | Styracosaurus Skull Replica |
| T | Leptoceratops Skull Replica |
| T | Pentaceratops Skull Replica |
| T | Chasmosaurus Skull Replica |
| T | Torosaurus Skull Replica |
| T | Ceratopsian Jaw Bronze Model |
| T | Parasaurolophus Voice and Head Replica |

2. Dinosaurs (Continued)

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| T | Archaeopteryx Bronze Model |
| T | Oversized Archaeopteryx Fossil Replica |
| T | Tree trunk |

3. SUE the T. Rex (Upper Level)

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| A | Sue Overview Presentation with English/Spanish subtitles on ceiling |
| A | T. Rex Rumble Interactive |
| T | T. Rex Full Body Bronze Model |
| T | Tail Tip Bronze Model |
| T | Broken Rib Bronze Model |
| T | Forearm Bronze Model |
| T | Twisted Tooth Bronze Model |
| T | Tooth Bronze Model |
| T | Stapes Bronze Model |
| T | T. Rex Rumble Interactive |
| T | T. Rex Skin Bronze Model |
| T | Triceratops Skin Bronze Model |
| T | Mammal Fur, Opossum |
| S | T. Rex Breath |
| S | Conifer Tree |
| 3. Sue the T. Rex (Continued) | |
| S | Ginger-like Plant |
| S | Flowering Tree |
| 4. Fossil Prep Lab (Upper Level) | |
| None | |
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5. China (Upper Level)

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| A | Music and Environmental Audio |
| A | Puppet Theatre- Chinese with English subtitles |
| T | Tactile Map of China |
| T | Jade Pig-Dragon |

6. Spirit Stone Garden, Sue Ling Gin Garden (Upper Level)

N/A

7. Plants of the World (Upper Level)

N/A

8. Jades (Upper Level)

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| T | Nephrite Boulder |
| T | Polished Nephrite |

9. Meteorites (Upper Level)

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| T | Block Island Mars Meteorite |
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10. Gems (Upper Level)

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| A | Amient Jazz Music |
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11. Geology (Upper Level)

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| T | Fluorite |
| T | Magnetite |
| T | Beryl |
| T | Columnar Basalt |
| T | Columnar Basalt #2 |
| T | Iron Meteorite |
| T | Meteorite |
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12. DNA Discovery Center (Upper Level)

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|---|---|
| A | Video- "DNA 101" with English subtitles |
| A | DNA Sequencing 1 |
| A | DNA Sequencing 2 |
| A | Field Studies |
| A | Video- "Microsatellites" with English subtitles |
| A | Cells Organs |
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13. Traveling the Pacific (Upper Level)

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| A | Lava Flow Environment, Crackling Lava and TV News Report Audio |
| A | Kauai o'o Birdsong |
| A | Beach Environment, Waves and Ocean Bird Calls |
| A | Marshall Island Environment, Waves and Ocean Bird Calls |
| A | Video- "Canoe Builders" with limited English subtitles |
| A | Papeete Market Environment, Honking Cars, Shoppers, Bikes |
| A | Video- "Snack Shack" with English subtitles |
| T | Entry- Mosaic Globe Installation on Floor |
| T | Lava Flow Environment, Hardened Lava and Highway Guardrails |
| T | Coral |
| T | Slow Moving Lava Flow |
| T | Fast Moving Lava Flow |

13. Traveling the Pacific (Continued)

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| T | Large Lava Flow |
| T | Middle Age Hawaii Tactile Map |
| T | Five Stages of Island Development Tactile Map |
| T | Kilauea Volcano Tactile Map |
| T | Coral Island Tactile Map |
| T | Jaluit Atoll Coral Island Tactile Map |
| T | Palm Tree Trunk |
| T | Unfinished Canoe Hull |
| T | Wooden Frame of Structure |

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| T | Taro Garden Fence |
| 14. Pacific (Upper Level) | |
| A | Video- "Hula Performance in Chicago" |
| A | Interactive Table Top with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Slit Drum Interactive |
| A | Music of New Ireland |
| A | Music of Vanuatu |
| T | Slit Drum Interactive |
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| 15. Conversation Lab (Upper Level) | |
| N/A | |
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| 16. Maori Meeting House (Upper Level) | |
| A | Karanga, Invitation Prayer Song |
| T | Greenstone |
| T | Maori Meeting House: Interior and Exterior Carvings, Tables, Benches. |
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| 17. The Changing Face of Science (Upper Level) | |
| Temporary Gallery Installtions, Tactile and Auditory offerings will vary | |
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| 18. Restoring Earth (Upper Level) | |
| A | Video- "Andes-Amazon Expedition" with English subtitles |

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| A | Video- "Why the Andes-Amazon" with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "Rapid Inventories" with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "Success Story: Cordillera Azul" with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "Shipibo Artisans" with English and Spanish subtitles |
| A | Video- "Darting Fish/ Coral" |
| A | Video Interactive with English subtitles |
| A | Video Interactive 2 with English subtitles |
| A | Video Interactive 3 with English subtitles |

Restoring Earth (Continued)

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| A | Ecosystem Projection Game Music |
| A | Rain Interactive |
| A | Video- "Bringing Back the Prairie" with English subtitles |
| A | Video- "A Green Network" with English subtitles |
| A | Video- "Fires and Floods: Nature Rebuilds" with English subtitles |
| T | Snake Hook |
| T | Mollusk Diversity Microscope |

19. Tibet Gallery (Upper Level)

N/A

20. Visitor's Lounge (Upper Level)

Seasonal Access for Field Museum Members

21. Audubon's Birds of America (Upper Level)

A Environmental Birdsong and Relaxing Classical Music

