



# **DINOSAURS: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries**

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Exhibit technicians positioning the massive cast skeleton foot of a life-sized Tyrannosaurus rex at the second floor entrance to *Dinosaurs: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries* at the Royal BC Museum.

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## Robotic Tyrannosaurus rex

A six-foot-long mechanical *T. rex* skeleton walks in place in the exhibition *Dinosaurs: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries*.

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## Beipiaosaurus

This model of a *Beipiaosaurus*, a carnivorous theropod covered with protofeathers—precursors to the feathers found on living birds—is featured in the exhibition *Dinosaurs: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries*.

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# Liaoning Forest diorama

The Liaoning Forest diorama is a major highlight of the exhibition *Dinosaurs: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries.* This enormous evocative diorama—the most detailed re-creation of a prehistoric environment ever constructed—depicts the rich diversity of animals living in a Mesozoic forest in China.

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#### Ceratopsian skulls overview

A wall of casts of ceratopsian dinosaur skulls is part of the exhibition *Dinosaurs: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries*. This area addresses the purposes of the unusual horns, frills, crests, and domes found on many dinosaur skulls.

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# Dr. Richard Hebda, Curator of Botany and Earth History, Royal BC Museum

Richard Hebda has a Ph. D. in Botany from the University of British Columbia and has been a Curator at the Royal BC Museum (Botany and Earth History) for more than 32 years and an adjunct faculty member at the University of Victoria (Biology, Earth and Ocean Sciences) for more than 28 years. Dr. Hebda serves as the Province of BC's science advisor in Paleontology.



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#### Albertosaurus at the Royal BC Museum

First discovered by geologist Joseph B. Tyrrell in 1884, this 2500 kg killing machine, *Albertosaurus sarcophagus*, ("flesh-eating lizard from Alberta") was the largest predator in Cretaceous Alberta 73-70 million years ago. It was named in 1905, the same year Alberta became a province. This model was created and loaned to the Royal BC Museum by the Royal Tyrrell Museum, Alberta.

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