

Deep Time Detour: Exploring Colorado's Ancient Past at Dinosaur Ridge

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Introduction



- Paleontological/Geological site in Morrison, Colorado
- Hundreds of dinosaur tracks (Cretaceous)
- Type section for the Morrison Formation
- Historically significant bonebed (Jurassic)
 - First *Stegosaurus* ever discovered

Friends of Dinosaur Ridge

- Non-profit founded in 1989
- Mission: fossil preservation and education
- Serve over 200,000 visitors a year, including more than 18,000 Colorado school kids



Images by Dinosaur Ridge



Mission Statement

To educate visitors about the evolving story of Dinosaur Ridge while advancing scientific research and fossil protection.

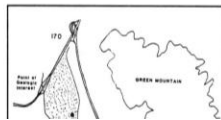
Vision Statement

To be a world-class destination where everyone experiences the wonder of Dinosaur Ridge's spectacular fossil history and perpetual scientific discovery.

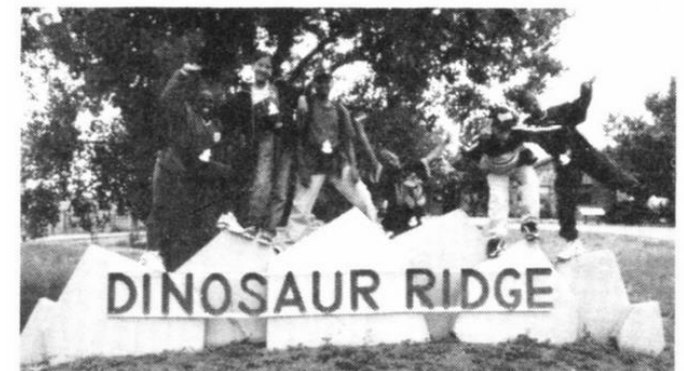


WE ARE NOW OFFICIAL!! **FRIENDS OF DINOSAUR RIDGE** **INCORPORATES**

After much hard work and planning, a nonprofit group called **Friends of Dinosaur Ridge** has been formed to aid in the preservation and protection of the Dakota Hogback area just west of Denver, Colorado. This area contains significant cultural and natural resources which can form the focus for an educational resource center. The development of this center is one of the main goals for this group.



1997 Board of Directors

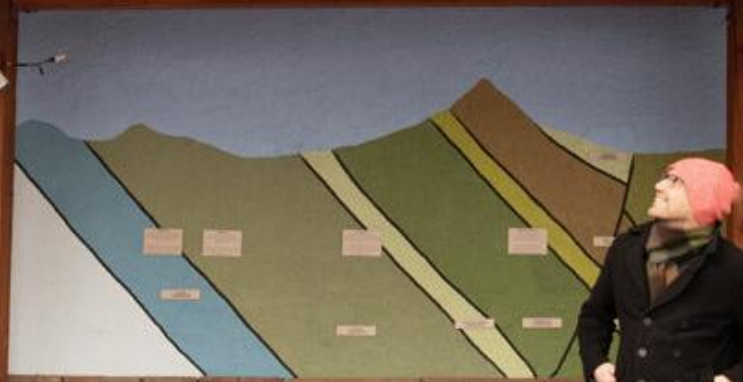


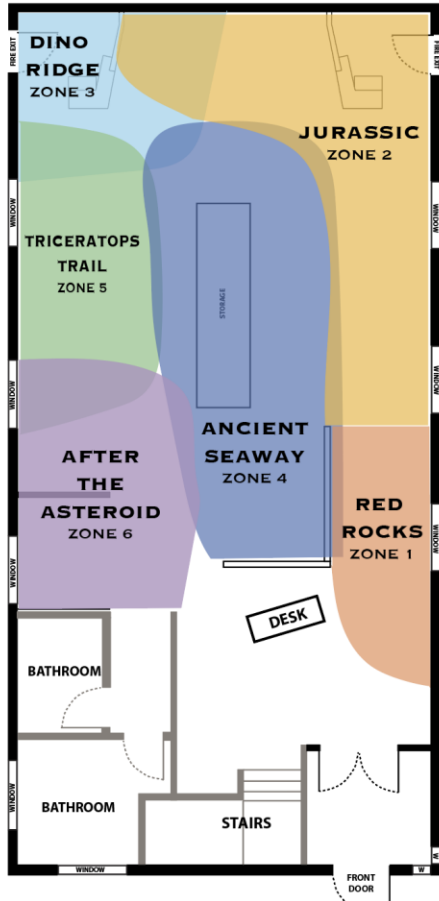
Welcome To
**DINOSAUR
RIDGE**
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DISCOVERY CENTER



NO
CAMPING
NO
OVERNIGHT
PARKING

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Zone 1: Red Rocks 300 million years ago





Zone 2: The Jurassic
Colorado 150 million years ago

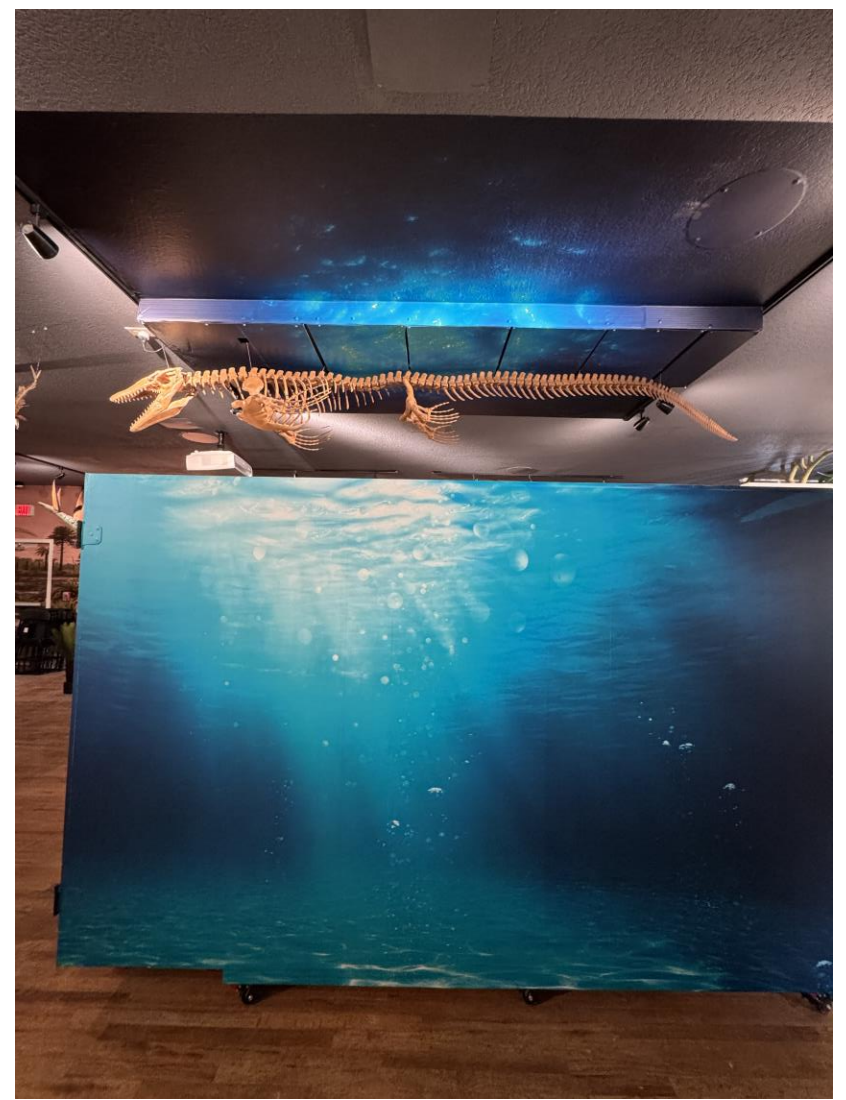




Jurassic Zone Lecture Hall



Zone 3: Dinosaur Ridge
Colorado 100 million years ago



Zone 4: Ancient Ocean – Colorado 85 million years ago

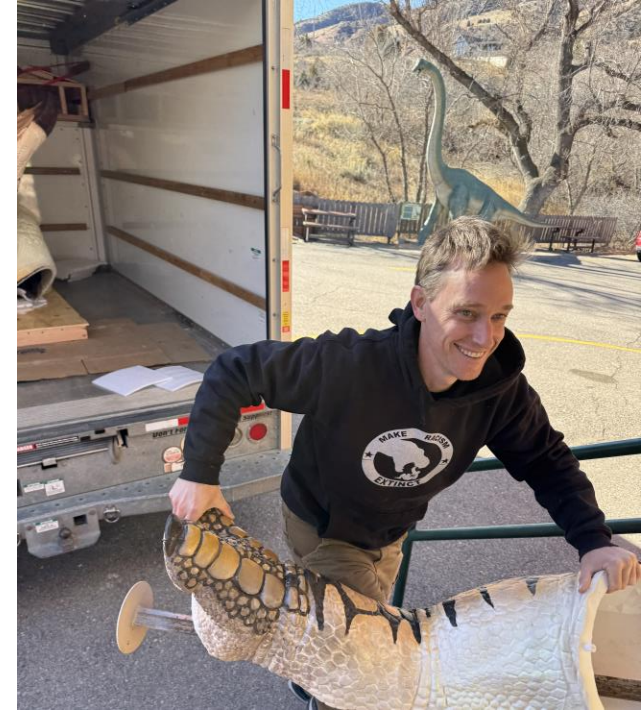
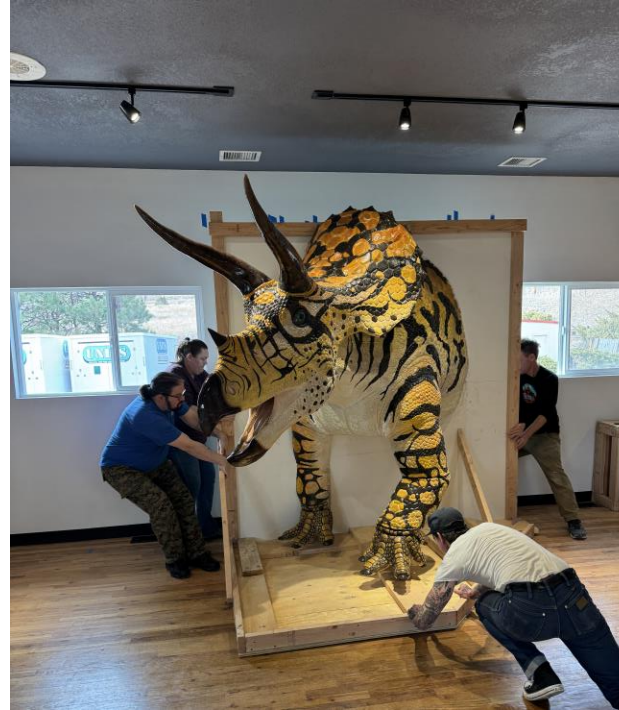
Zone 5:
Triceratops Trail
68 million years ago



Zone 6: After the Asteroid
Colorado 66 million years ago to Present

Recognition





Recognition: TRX Dinosaurs

- Keegan Kuhn, owner
- 3D printed scientifically accurate reconstructions







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