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Uncover your own fossil at the Bullock Museum

November Free First Sunday celebrates archeology, American Indian traditions

OCTOBER 29, 2013 (AUSTIN, TX) - Beneath our feet lie clues about ancient civilizations, and the Bullock Texas State History Museum will celebrate archeology and American Indian traditions during the November *Free First Sundays*. On November 3, children can meet archeologists, assemble ancient potsherds and excavate their own fossil to take home.

The museum hosts *Free First Sundays* on the first Sunday of every month from noon to 6 p.m., allowing families to explore Texas history and participate in educational activities at no charge. Children's activities, held from noon to 3 p.m. also are free to the public.

On Sunday, special guests from the Gault School of Archaeological Research and the Paleontological Society of Austin will help children discover what history lies underneath Central Texas. From 1:30 to 3 p.m., enjoy dancing, drumming, flute music and storytelling by Great Promise for American Indians, whose members will showcase music and dance from tribes all over the country. A special story time hosted by Great Promise will be held at 2:30 p.m.

Free First Sundays are designed to allow Texans to discover the museum at no cost, or to visit every month to enjoy a new family activity. Through *Free First Sundays*, the museum hopes to increase the number of people who experience first-hand the rich heritage of Texas.

Since it opened in 2001, the Bullock Texas State History Museum in downtown Austin has been engaging audiences to interpret for themselves the continually unfolding *Story of Texas*. One of the most popular attractions in Central Texas, the museum has been visited by over 6 million people coming from every state in the United States and every continent on Earth.

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During Free First Sundays, guests may also explore the *Story of Texas* through three floors of exhibits that showcase artifacts from around the state; or buy tickets to experience riveting documentaries in Austin's premier IMAX Theatre, which boasts the biggest screen in Texas. For more, visit www.TheStoryofTexas.com or call (512) 936-8746.

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About the Bullock Texas State History Museum

The Bullock Texas State History Museum in downtown Austin tells the unfolding story of the history, culture and people of Texas. One of the most popular attractions in Central Texas, the Museum has welcomed over 6 million visitors since it opened in 2001. The Museum and IMAX Theatre are located at 1800 N. Congress Avenue, between the State Capital complex and the University of Texas campus, and is open Monday through Saturday, 9am to 6pm, and Sunday from noon to 6pm. For more, visit www.TheStoryofTexas.com or call (512) 936-8746.