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SPECIAL ELMO APPEARANCE SCHEDULED FOR SCIENCE MUSEUM'S (OVER) NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

**The April 17-18 sleepover event also includes admission to
Sesame Street Presents: The Body exhibit**

BUFFALO, NY (March 9, 2010) – Have you ever wondered what happens in a museum at night after the lights dim and the doors close? Do you like solving mysteries? Have you ever slept next to a *dinosaur*?

This April 17-18, the Buffalo Museum of Science is kicking off the third year of its popular museum sleepover event, *(Over) Night at the Museum* (ONATM). ONATM guests help the museum's security guards shut down the museum exhibits by completing fun activities to solve a museum mystery together. Guests can also enjoy a dance party, movie and crafts before falling asleep surrounded by mummies, ancient fossils, and even dinosaurs!



Special to the April ONATM event, the night will feature a **special appearance by Elmo** and also includes admission to *Sesame Street Presents: The Body* where families can hop, jump, and dance their way through a *Sesame Street* adventure. The exhibit is locally sponsored by M&T Bank.

The cost of ONATM is \$27.50 per non-member and museum members save 10% off their total registration fee. Admission to *Sesame Street Presents: The Body*, pizza party, activities, breakfast, and refreshments are included with paid registration. The event begins at 5:30pm on Saturday and ends at 9:30am on Sunday.

The recommended ages for this event are 6-12 and one adult over the age of 18 is required to register for ever 1-3 children registered in their party. Availability is limited and pre-registration and payment is required. For more information or to register, visit www.sciencebuff.org or call Betsy at 716.896.5200 x345.

The next scheduled ONATM date is July 31-August 1, 2010 and will include admission to the museum's summer exhibit, *Robotic Dinosaurs*.

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The Buffalo Museum of Science is the non-profit educational institution dedicated to the study and interpretation of the natural and physical sciences and inspiring curiosity through exploration. Its extensive collections of over 700,000 specimens and artifacts represent all facets of the natural world with an emphasis on Western New York as well as man-made objects spanning the globe. Based at 1020 Humboldt Parkway and anchoring Buffalo's East Side in Olmsted-designed Martin Luther King, Jr. Park since 1929, the Museum presents a wide variety of programs and services for children, teachers, families, adults, and community organizations throughout each year. The Museum also operates Tiff Nature Preserve in South Buffalo, a 264-acre urban wetland preserve on reclaimed former industrial land and seasonally sponsors archaeological exploration at the Hiscock Site in nearby Genesee County, NY, one of North America's richest Ice Age sites.

For further information on the Museum and its upcoming activities, call 716-896-5200 or visit www.sciencebuff.org.