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## ROBOTIC DINOSAURS ARE ROARING BACK TO BUFFALO ON JUNE 26

There are just two weeks left to experience *Sesame Street Presents: The Body* before it leaves the Buffalo Museum of Science

**BUFFALO, NY (May 27, 2010)** – Summer 2010 is bringing back some familiar faces to the science museum. *Robotic Dinosaurs* are roaring back to the Buffalo Museum of Science from June 26 through October 10, 2010. These dinosaurs don't just look like real dinosaurs, they *behave* like real dinosaurs!

*Robotic Dinosaurs* encompasses 6,000 square feet of the museum's second floor. Exhibit-goers will get an up-close view of nine robotic dinosaurs including Tyrannosaurus Rex, Apatosaurus, Pachycephalosaurus, an adult Maiasaura with eggs and hatchlings, Stegosaurus and a Pteranodon. Visitors young and old will feel like true paleontologists while sifting through a dino dig box, two rub stations and operating a hands-on control box which will allow them to move the "skeleton" of a Duckbill.



These robotic giants were created by Kokoro of Japan and Los Angeles. More than 1,500 of Kokoro's animated forms have appeared in museums throughout the world since 1969. The creatures were constructed based on evidence from fossil records, scientific literature and professional paleontologists. Each model is individually computer programmed and powered by an intricate compressor system.

With the exception of last summer's blockbuster *BODY WORLDS* exhibit, the museum's dinosaur exhibits have historically been the most well attended exhibits in the museum's history, attracting 250,000 guests over a five month run in 1998. The last time the museum had a robotic dinosaur exhibit was 2003.

**SESAME STREET PRESENTS: THE BODY to close on June 9**

Elmo and his *Sesame Street* friends will be packing up their bags and leaving the Buffalo Museum of Science on Wednesday, June 9. *Sesame Street Presents: The Body*, locally sponsored by M&T Bank, has already attracted over 50,000 children and caregivers to the museum since it opened on February 27. This number triples the museum's attendance rate during the same time period in 2009.

**ADMISSION & HOURS**

*Robotic Dinosaurs* and *Sesame Street Presents: The Body* are FREE for museum members and included with general admission (\$8 adults; \$7 seniors 62+; \$6 for children ages 2-17 and students & military with ID; FREE for children under 2.) The museum is open 7 days a week, 10am to 4pm. **Military Members can get FREE admission on Memorial Day, May**

**-Robotic Dinosaurs, Cont'd.-**

**31, with the presentation of Military or Veteran ID at the BMS admissions desk.**

For more information on *Sesame Street Presents: The Body* or *Robotic Dinosaurs*, visit [www.sciencebuff.org](http://www.sciencebuff.org) or call 716.896.5200.

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**ABOUT SESAME STREET PRESENTS: THE BODY Sponsored by M&T Bank**

Open seven days a week now through June 9, 2010, *Sesame Street Presents: The Body* is an interactive exhibition all about you! *Sesame Street Presents: The Body* offers an engaging, free-flowing learning experience set in the fun, familiar and reassuring world of *Sesame Street*. The loveable *Sesame Street* Muppets anchor an exciting collection of hands-on, interactive multimedia experiences that allow children to explore the human body and how to keep it healthy.

**ABOUT THE BUFFALO MUSEUM OF SCIENCE**

The Buffalo Museum of Science is the non-profit educational institution dedicated to the study and interpretation of the natural and physical sciences. 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](http://www.sciencebuff.org).