Cover
Jadon, a dinosaur enthusiast and dedicated museum volunteer (7 years), waves “hello” in front of the Allosaurus exhibit in the Engelstad Foundation Prehistoric Life Gallery.
Pictured
Val, one of the team's museum educators, shares the unique adaptations of the leopard gecko (*Eublepharis macularius*) with museum guests.
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OVERVIEW

IMPACT

- 70,000+ annual attendance
- 1,000+ museum members
- 23,500+ social media followers
- 113,000+ website visitors
- 140+ field trips, welcoming 5,500+ students
- 1 CCSD teacher professional development session (pictured directly above)
- 2,900+ bilingual STEM Kits provided to students in Title 1 schools located in close proximity to LVNHM
- 4 UNLV grant-funded, paid internship positions, offering experience and mentorship
- 13 UNLV academic credit internship positions, offering experience and mentorship
- 86 regular volunteers contributing 5,600+ hours to the LVNHM mission
- 330 special event volunteers contributing 1,400+ hours to the LVNHM mission
- 10,300+ specimens and artifacts cataloged and documented
- 2 researchers utilized the Las Vegas Natural History Museum State and Federal Repository for academic research
- 300+ archaeological artifacts accepted into the LVNHM repository
Biomes Beyond Borders

After receiving a generous E.L. Wiegand Foundation grant in October 2022, the museum embarked on a phased approach to realize its long-anticipated International Wildlife Gallery project. As the first gallery guests encounter on any visit to the museum, this initiative aimed to revitalize the 3,764-square-foot gallery by making it into an engaging educational space that seamlessly blends thematic learning with elements of nature, art, and technology.

Today, the Biomes Beyond Borders exhibition in the International Wildlife Gallery does just that. Upon entering the museum, visitors are taken on a global journey that offers insight into how their daily routines and well-being are profoundly influenced by the unique attributes of the biome they call home. Just as species in a biome must adapt to changing conditions, humans adjust daily behaviors to accommodate varying circumstances. Biomes Beyond Borders guides visitors to discern notable parallels and cultivate a deep appreciation for the interconnected web of life on Earth through an immersive experience featuring digital projections with videos and ambient sounds representative of various biomes.

In addition to telling this global story, the reimagining of the International Wildlife Gallery reflects the unique, local roots of the Las Vegas Natural History Museum. As an organization founded by a small group of volunteer community members, this project offered the opportunity to utilize the talents of local, Las Vegas-based vendors:

- Trident Construction Corporation,
- Tag Team Productions,
- Clean Technology, LLC,
- Forum Studios,
- Miss Daisy Flowers,
- and Velocity Graphics.

Additional thanks to Dr. Sean Neiswenter, Dr. Jennifer Utz, and Dr. Jef Jaeger from the University of Nevada - Las Vegas, who volunteered their expertise to aid in the development of the new exhibition’s educational information.

The gallery was made possible in part by E. L. Wiegand Foundation, Bruno Scherrer, Gary and Matthew Primm, Peter Carollo, and Carl E. Ross.
The Las Vegas Science & Technology Festival was back in full force for 2023 and offered nine jam-packed days of FREE events for the students and families of Clark County. More than 15,000 attendees engaged and explored at over 80 different events with the help of countless organizations and partners throughout our community. The 12th anniversary of the Las Vegas Science and Technology Festival promoted events across the Las Vegas valley and continued the commitment of organizing free, interactive, and accessible programming. Through engaging and educational activities, the festival strives to spark students' curiosity in S.T.E.A.M. and ultimately to encourage them to consider careers in science, technology, engineering, art, and math.

The festival is presented by the Las Vegas Natural History Museum in collaboration with Clark County School District, Desert Research Institute, Las Vegas - Clark County Library District, University of Nevada - Las Vegas, and the National Park Service.

- April 28, Outdoor Explorers Day: Bio Blast and Jr. Paleontologist Hike
- April 29, Science is Everywhere Day: 30+ tours and workshops, demonstrating science and technology in action
- May 1-5, Science in the Schools: engaged students with STEM presentations and activities by industry professionals
- May 1-5, Signature Events (each day of the Festival week) included: NASA presentations, medical resident interactions, and themed showcases.
- May 6, GIANT EXPO at the World Market Center: 80+ interactive demonstrations, entertainment, and a solar rollers race

Visitors experienced the watershed as a water drop, exploring the science behind the water cycle, firsthand. Through powerful interactives, visitors realized that even their daily decisions could immediately improve the watershed in their own backyard. Despite Las Vegas leading the conversation on water conservation, Americans ranked water pollution as the number one environmental concern facing the country. "Water's Extreme Journey" was a front-line effort to empower tourists and our local community, alike, with the knowledge to create a positive, immediate impact through action.

Open June 2 - August 27, 2023.
Mystery at the Museum

The debut of "Mystery at the Museum" featured an inventive, interactive mystery theater crafted by the museum’s dedicated staff and volunteers. It proved to be a solid success, with enthusiastic participation from over 120 guests. The event also introduced LVNHM to a new audience, solidifying its place as an anticipated annual event. (pictured below)

- Sponsored by Nevada State Bank

2023 Dinosaur Ball

OH MY! Lions & Tigers & Bears

This year’s annual gala featured an evening filled with entertainment, a silent and live auction, roaming dinner featuring seven local restaurants, and "fun-raising" activities in support of the museum’s educational initiatives. The highlight of the evening included recognition of the E. L. Wiegand Foundation and Tag Team Productions, whose partnership breathed life into the newly renovated International Wildlife Gallery.

- Committee:
  - Chairman: Carol Levins
  - Members: Laura Benedict, Marcel Bloomer, Chris Creigh, Will Houghton, Susan Houston, Carrie Paldi, Cathi Poer, Sue Wirshing, Gina Yager
- Inaugural Heart Award
  - Don Polednak (pictured middle right)
- Honorees
  - E. L. Wiegand Foundation
  - Tag Team Productions
    (pictured lower right)
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Gift In-Kind Value $1,000+
City of Las Vegas
Doc Phineas
Elite Golf
Exotics Racing
Four Seasons Hotel Las Vegas
General Federation of Women’s Clubs
Horizon Print Solutions
JC Hospitality
KAMU Ultra Karaoke
Nevada Wheelchair Foundation (pictured left)
Rizzo Hospitality
SPI Entertainment, Inc.
Vegas Golden Knights Foundation
Wesley Farmer
Wynn Las Vegas
**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Revenues**

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**Total Revenue** 1,224,368.93 100%

**Expenditures**

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**Total Expenses** 1,181,231.77 100%

Profit/Loss $43,137.16
Back Cover
Dinosaur Ball guests enjoy a performance of “Somewhere Over the Rainbow,” by the University of Nevada - Las Vegas Marimba Band as the lights and projectors turn on around them at the unveiling of the new exhibition, *Biomes Beyond Borders*, in the International Wildlife Gallery.