



## Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guide - Lead

The Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guides will be responsible for providing excellent visitor experience in the museum during the busiest summer months, as well as assisting with aspects of the museum's active research and collections program.

### Description of Tasks:

The Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guide Lead will have four main roles:

1. The Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guide Lead will be responsible for developing content for the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum's (PJCDM) 'Secrets of the Wapiti' float tour. This 4-hour public program takes 4-16 visitors down the Wapiti River in rafts, pointing out the natural, geological, and paleontological history of the area. Content should be correct, engaging, informative, and appropriate for visitors of all ages. As well, the Lead Guide will develop tour content for the bonebed, lab, galleries and any other museum initiatives in collaboration with the content development team.
2. Throughout late June, July, and August, the Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guide Lead will work with other guides to deliver content on the 'Secrets of the Wapiti' float tour. The Lead Guide will be responsible for providing content on 2-5 tours a week. All necessary watercraft training will be provided. The Lead Guide will deliver content for the bonebed tours and gallery tours, up to 2 x per day, 6 days a week, including weekends.
3. The Lead guide will provide guided tours of the galleries, palaeontology laboratory and the Bonebed for visitors. They will be responsible for assisting individuals or groups with special needs (e.g., guests with special accessibility needs, sensory issues etc.) through the gallery and lab, as well as facilitating tours for private or specialty groups.
4. Under the supervision of the programs manager, curator and animal care lead- the Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guide will assist with care of the live animals (snake and tortoise) and assist with delivery of the animal show each day.

In addition to these duties, the Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guides will also support summer camps with palaeo-focused programming, as time permits. The guides will also work with the Museum Technician and Collections Assistant and the Summer Laboratory Assistant to prepare and conserve fossils in lab, as time permits.



**This position will:**

1. Promote an understanding of palaeontology within the Peace Region of Alberta.
2. Promote interest and enthusiasm for fossils through providing the public an opportunity to speak with a staff well versed in palaeontology.
3. Provide excellent visitor experience.
4. Assist visitors with special needs through the galleries/lab
5. Support the Animal Care lead in the care of the museum's live animal exhibits
6. Help develop ideas for the betterment of the museum galleries/exhibits.
7. Preserve and protect palaeontological resources as historical resources for future generations.
8. Attend to duties within the museum not other specified, as the need arises.
9. Assist with museum initiatives, as time allows.

**The ideal candidate will have the following attributes/qualities:**

1. Some knowledge and interest in Alberta's palaeontology, geology, and/or natural history.
2. Comfortable working and interacting with the public, including children.
3. Comfortable working outside in all summer weather conditions
4. Comfortable being in a boat
5. The ability to work as a team
6. Fluency in written and spoken English.
7. A Class 5 Driver's License or equivalent.
8. Ability to drive a truck and trailer if needed.

**Preference will be given to candidates who:**

1. Are currently attending and/or be returning to post-secondary education with a degree in palaeontology, geology, archaeology, museum studies, zoology, biology, science, engineering, or equivalent.
2. Have experience in guiding and/or adventure tourism
3. Have experience developing content for delivery to the public
4. Have some experience preparing and/or handling fossils in a lab or field setting.
5. Have supervision experience.
6. Have an Alberta Class 4 or higher Driver's license
7. Have proficiency in French



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### Period of Employment

Lead Palaeontology Outdoor and Gallery Guide position's period of employment will be May 12 to August 29, 2025 (Some negotiation around start/end dates may be considered).

**Salary:** \$18.00/hr

### To Apply:

We are an equal opportunity employer, and any eligible person is welcome to apply for this position. If interested, please e-mail your cover letter and resume to the following address:

Attention: Dallal Olver

Email: [HR@dinomuseum.ca](mailto:HR@dinomuseum.ca)

[Programsmanager@dinomuseum.ca](mailto:Programsmanager@dinomuseum.ca)

The application deadline is **Friday, April 18th at 11:59 pm MDT or until a suitable candidate is secured (whichever occurs first)**. Please note only successful candidates will be contacted and scheduled for an interview. Virtual interviews are possible for candidates not local to the region

### About the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum

The PJCDM is located 2 km outside the Town of Wembley and approximately 33 km from the City of Grande Prairie. While the successful candidate is responsible for finding their own accommodation in the Grande Prairie area, the museum can suggest some potential options. The successful candidate must be present, in-person, at the museum during work hours. They must be willing to work some evenings and weekends to accommodate volunteers and special events.