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Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum Appoints Deanna Way as Executive Director

New Executive Director to lead internationally recognized museum

WEMBLEY, ALBERTA – The River of Death and Discovery Dinosaur Museum Society is pleased to announce the appointment of **Deanna Way** as Executive Director of the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum.

Since opening in 2015, the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum has become one of Canada's leading centres for palaeontological research, education, and public engagement. Located in Wembley, in the County of Grande Prairie, the Museum welcomes visitors from around the world while advancing scientific discovery and sharing the remarkable fossil heritage of Alberta's Peace Region.

*"The Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum has earned a strong reputation for scientific research, education, and public engagement," said **Bob Marshall**, Chair of the River of Death and Discovery Dinosaur Museum Society. "The Board was committed to finding a leader who would build on those strengths while guiding the Museum into its next chapter. Deanna's collaborative leadership style, strategic perspective, and experience made her the right choice, and we look forward to working together to advance the Museum's mission."*

Deanna joined the Museum on July 27, 2026, succeeding outgoing Executive Director Linden Roberts, who is retiring this fall. The Board extends its appreciation to Linden for her service to the Museum and her support during the transition.

Deanna previously served as Executive Director of the Quinte Museum of Natural History in Ontario. Her experience spans museum leadership, collections, exhibitions, governance, and organizational development. She holds a Master of Library and Information Science from Robert Gordon University and an Advanced Diploma in Applied Museum Studies from Algonquin College.

"It is a privilege to join the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum," said Deanna. "The Museum has established itself as a leader in palaeontological research and public education, and I am honoured to become part of that legacy. I look forward to working with the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, researchers, Indigenous partners, community organizations, supporters, and our municipal partners as we continue inspiring curiosity, advancing scientific discovery, and creating meaningful experiences for visitors from around the world."

Bob said the Board is confident the Museum is well positioned for continued success.



PHILIP J. CURRIE DINOSAUR MUSEUM

"We are delighted to welcome Deanna to both the Museum and the County of Grande Prairie," he said. "Together, we look forward to building on the Museum's strong foundation, strengthening its role within the Peace Region, and continuing to welcome visitors from across Canada and around the world."

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About the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum

Located in Wembley, Alberta, in the County of Grande Prairie, the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum advances palaeontological research, preserves Alberta's extraordinary fossil heritage, and inspires curiosity through exhibitions, education, and public engagement. Situated in the heart of one of the world's richest dinosaur fossil regions and inspired by the internationally significant Pipestone Creek Bonebed, the Museum contributes to scientific discovery while fostering lifelong learning and serving as a cultural and tourism destination for the Peace Region.

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