

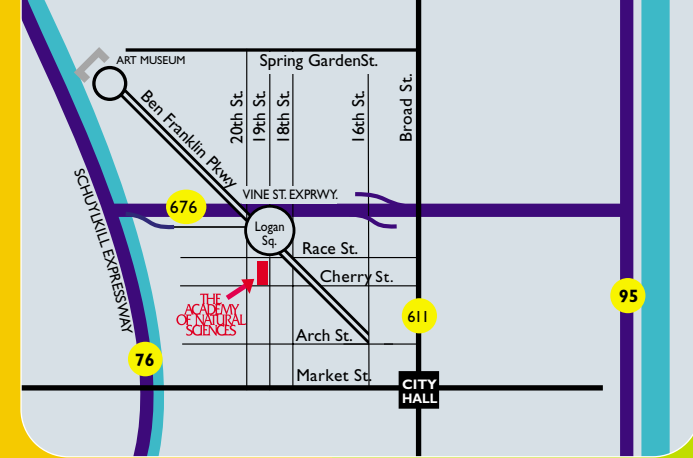
THE  
ACADEMY  
OF NATURAL  
SCIENCES



WHERE  
SCIENCE  
IS FUN,  
NATURALLY



A WORLD OF DISCOVERY  
AWAITS YOU AT THE ACADEMY



The Academy of Natural Sciences  
1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway  
Philadelphia, PA 19103-1195  
215.299.1000  
[www.acnatsci.org](http://www.acnatsci.org)

#### Membership

Enjoy unlimited free admission, a quarterly newsletter, special members only programs, discounts, trips, lectures, merchandise and more, call 215.299.1022.

#### Museum Tours

Free guided tours of most popular exhibits are available for groups and individuals, call 215.299.1060.

#### Behind-the-Scenes Tours

Scientists lead you on tours of plant and animal research collections. Combine with optional afternoon tea. Groups of 15 or more, call 215.299.1060.

#### Restaurant

Enjoy a variety of foods including kid's favorites at the Ecology Café.

#### Shopping

Three museum shops offer educational games and toys as well as fine gifts, jewelry, books and more.

#### Special Needs

Handicapped accessible. Limited number of wheelchairs available. Strollers permitted.

#### Academy on the Go

Enjoy eco-shows with live animals, specimens, activities and more at your school, camp or community center, call 215.299.1060.

#### Parking

Parking meters and lots nearby. Discount at Colonial Parking, 1815 Cherry St. Validate stub at check-in.

#### Public Transportation

Near SEPTA bus routes 32, 33 and 76. Four blocks west of Suburban Station.

#### Hours

Weekdays: 10<sup>AM</sup> - 4:30<sup>PM</sup>

Weekends: 10<sup>AM</sup> - 5<sup>PM</sup>

Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day

#### General Admission

	General Admission	Group Admission
Adult	\$9	\$7.50
Child (age 3-12)	\$8	\$6.50
Senior	\$8.25	\$7.50
Child under 3 and Members	Free	Free

\* Group defined as 10 or more people

#### Mission

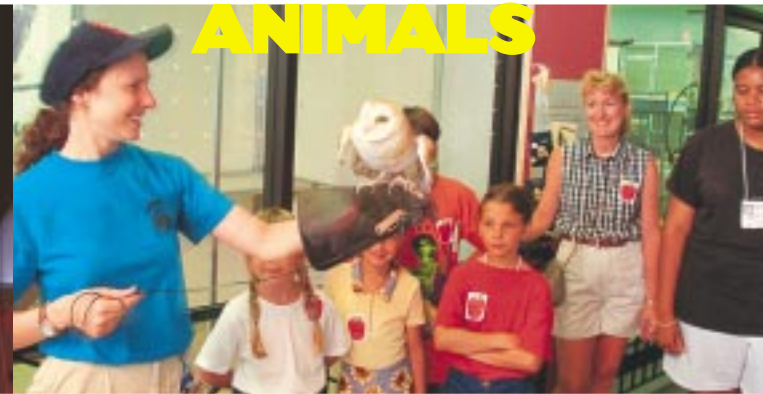
The Academy of Natural Sciences, an international museum of natural history operating since 1812, undertakes research and public education that focus on the environment and its diverse species. Our mission is to expand knowledge of nature through discovery and to inspire stewardship of the environment.

## OUTSIDE-IN



Touch live animals, sift for sharks' teeth, crawl under a pond and peek into a buzzing beehive in this hands-on nature center.

## LIVE ANIMALS



Observe the antics of some of our 100 live animals – including a bald eagle, frilly iguana, soft chinchilla and comical grey parrot. Due to injury, these animals cannot be released to the wild and are used to teach the message of conservation and stewardship.

## DIORAMAS



Explore animals and habitats all over the world through these artistic and scientifically accurate representations.

Founded in 1812, The Academy of Natural Sciences is the oldest science research institution in the Western Hemisphere and a world leader in natural science research, education, and exhibition. Four floors brimming with exciting exhibits are designed with families in mind and are inspired by the Academy's world-renowned scientific collections and research.

Let your imagination run wild as you walk among the dinosaurs and travel to a tropical rain forest bursting with exotic butterflies.

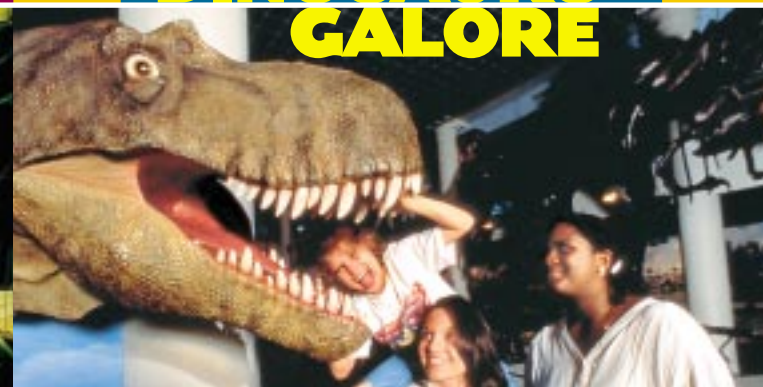
**The Academy is fun for everyone!**

## LIVE BUTTERFLIES



Experience the beauty and serenity of a tropical rain forest filled with magnificent live butterflies from Kenya, Costa Rica and Malaysia.

## DINOSAURS GALORE



Dig for dinosaur bones, watch Academy staff prepare fossils, climb inside a *Tyrannosaurus rex* skull, see the world's largest meat-eater and step into a time machine to the Mesozoic Era.

### There's always something new!

Changing exhibits featuring the vast wonders of nature make visiting often a must!

### Discover the Academy After Hours for Parties and Events

- The Academy is an ideal setting for corporate affairs, weddings, proms, bar/bat mitzvahs and fund-raisers, call 215.299.1047.
- Bring your sleeping bag and spend a Safari Overnight exploring the museum with your group, call 215.299.1060.
- Throw a birthday party your child will never forget, call 215.299.1060.

