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Ice Age Mammals exhibit features real fossils and specimens

WHITEHORSE—The Yukon government and Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre, in partnership with the Yukon Arts Centre, are celebrating the arrival of an ice age mammals travelling exhibition. Deputy Premier Elaine Taylor was in attendance at yesterday's opening event at the Yukon Arts Centre in Whitehorse.

Ice Age Mammals was created in partnership with the Canadian Museum of Nature, the Montreal Science Centre, the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology and the Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre. It has been on tour since 2005 and has been visited by nearly one million people.

"The *Ice Age Mammals* exhibition was created through an ambitious collaboration of diverse partners and helps bring the past to life in a way that educates and entertains audiences of all ages," Taylor said. "This speaks to the quality educational and artistic displays that the Yukon Arts Centre and Beringia Centre continue to attract."

The exhibition features a number of fossil specimens from Yukon. It also includes large scale visuals including a timescale, interactive features, photographs, audio-visual components and murals created by palaeoartist George Teichmann.

"*Ice Age Mammals* at the Yukon Arts Centre is a wonderful addition to what visitors and residents can learn at the Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre, which features exhibits and programs throughout the year," Minister of Tourism and Culture Mike Nixon said. "I encourage all Yukoners to visit this larger than life exhibition."

Ice Age Mammals is being displayed at the Yukon Arts Centre to accommodate its large size and environmental requirements. The exhibition will be on display until November 29.

"We are thrilled to play a part in bringing these remarkable specimens home," Yukon Arts Centre chief executive officer Al Cushing said. "We extend our thanks to the Yukon government and Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre for making this exhibition possible."

Yukon has a rich palaeontological record, with many prehistoric fossil discoveries in the central and northern regions of the territory.

Visit:

Beringia Centre: Ice Age Mammals 2014

Yukon Arts Centre: Ice Age Mammals

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