

JOURNEY TO THE JURASSIC: EXPLORING THE MORRISON FORMATION — SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 4, 2017

7 a.m. Check-in and Walk-in Registration Begins
8 a.m. Welcome & Announcements
Exhibits & Art Show Open (close at 7 p.m.)

8:10 a.m. – Beth Simmons
(Metropolitan State University of Denver)
Naming the “Morrison Formation”

8:45 a.m. – Christine Turner & Fred Peterson
(United States Geological Survey Emeritus)
Paleoclimatic, Paleohydrologic, Paleoecologic, and
Sedimentologic Reconstruction of the Extinct
Ecosystem of the Upper Jurassic Morrison Formation:
How Dinosaurs Thrived in a Dry Climate

----- 9:50-10:30 a.m. – Break -----

10:30 a.m. – William Hay
(University of Colorado Boulder Emeritus)
Rethinking Mesozoic Environments

11:05 a.m. – Judith Totman Parrish
(University of Idaho)
Reconstructing Plant Ecosystems Semi-arid
Paleoenvironments, with Reference to the
Morrison Formation

----- 11:40 a.m.-1 p.m. – Lunch Break -----

1 p.m. – Brent Breithaupt
(Bureau of Land Management)
Big Wonderful Wyoming: The “Lost World” of
Jurassic Dinosaurs

----- 2:05-2:45 p.m. – Break -----

2:45 p.m. – John Foster
(Museum of Moab)
The Overshadowed: What microvertebrates of the
Morrison Formation have revealed to us about the
Late Jurassic

3:20 p.m. – James Kirkland
(Utah Geological Survey)
The End of the Jurassic on the Colorado Plateau

3:55-5 p.m. – Announcements & Break

5-7 p.m. – Reception (exhibits close at 7 p.m.)

Sunday, March 5, 2017

7 a.m. Check-in and Walk-in Registration Begins
8 a.m. Welcome & Announcements
Exhibits & Art Show Open (close at 3 p.m.)

8:10 a.m. – Matt Mossbrucker
(Morrison Museum of Natural History)
Revisiting Arthur Lakes’ Lost Quarries: Initial Survey
of Undescribed Yale Peabody Jurassic Morrison Fossil
Material Collected from Morrison, Colorado (1877-1879)

8:45 a.m. – Robert Bakker
(Houston Museum of Natural Science)
Stegosaur Martial Arts: a Morrison Formation allosaur
stabbed and killed by *Stegosaurus*

----- 9:50-10:30 a.m. – Break -----

10:30 a.m. – Elliott Smith
(University of Utah)
A New Trace Fossil Assemblage Interpreted to be
Produced by Social Insects from the Upper Jurassic
Morrison Formation of Eastern Utah

11:05 a.m. – Erin LaCount
(Dinosaur Ridge)
The Dinosaur Ridge Quarries of Arthur Lakes

----- 11:40 a.m.-1 p.m. – Lunch Break -----

1 p.m. – Joe Sertich
(Denver Museum of Nature & Science)
Extreme Theropod Richness of the Morrison
Formation and the Unusual Theropod Specimens of
the Denver Museum of Nature & Science

1:35 p.m. – Malcolm Bedell
(Western Interior Paleontological Society)
Jurassic Podiatry: What articulated sauropod feet can
teach us

----- 2:10-2:40 p.m. – Break -----

2:40 p.m. – Christopher Weege & David Schumde
(Petroleum Engineers/Geologists)
Jurassic Giants of the Powder River Basin, Wyoming:
Recent Finds From the Morrison Formation

3:15 p.m. – Martin Lockley
(University of Colorado Denver Emeritus)
A Review of Vertebrate Tracks from the Morrison
Formation, Western USA