

# Western Australian Museum

Perth

Visit the *Western Australian Museum – Perth* and discover the rich history of our buildings and collections.

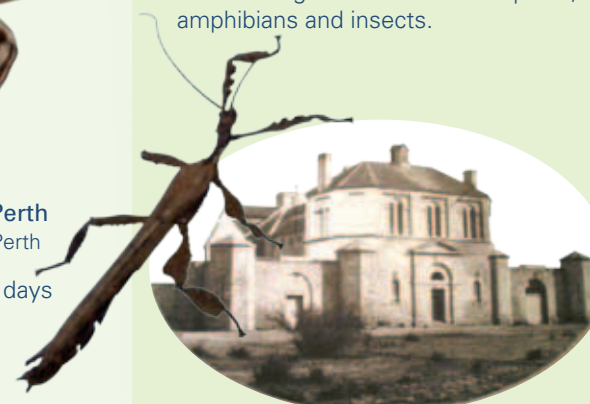
The Museum is conveniently located in the *Perth Cultural Centre* and within walking distance to the Perth train station. Schools might like to consider combining their Museum excursion with a visit to the *Art Gallery of Western Australia*, the *State Library of Western Australia* or the *State Theatre Centre of Western Australia*.

## Museum Highlights

- Have a close encounter with ancient fossils in the awesome *Diamonds to Dinosaurs*.
- Step back in time and explore the Victorian-era *Mammal Gallery*, with specimens over 100 years old.
- Visit the *Butterfly Gallery*, and see a dazzling array of beautiful butterflies of many colours and sizes.
- Discover the diversity of Western Australia's Aboriginal cultures in the *Katta Djinoong* gallery.
- Explore historic buildings like the *Old Gaol*, completed in 1856.
- Visit the *Discovery Centre* and see our amazing collection of live reptiles, amphibians and insects.



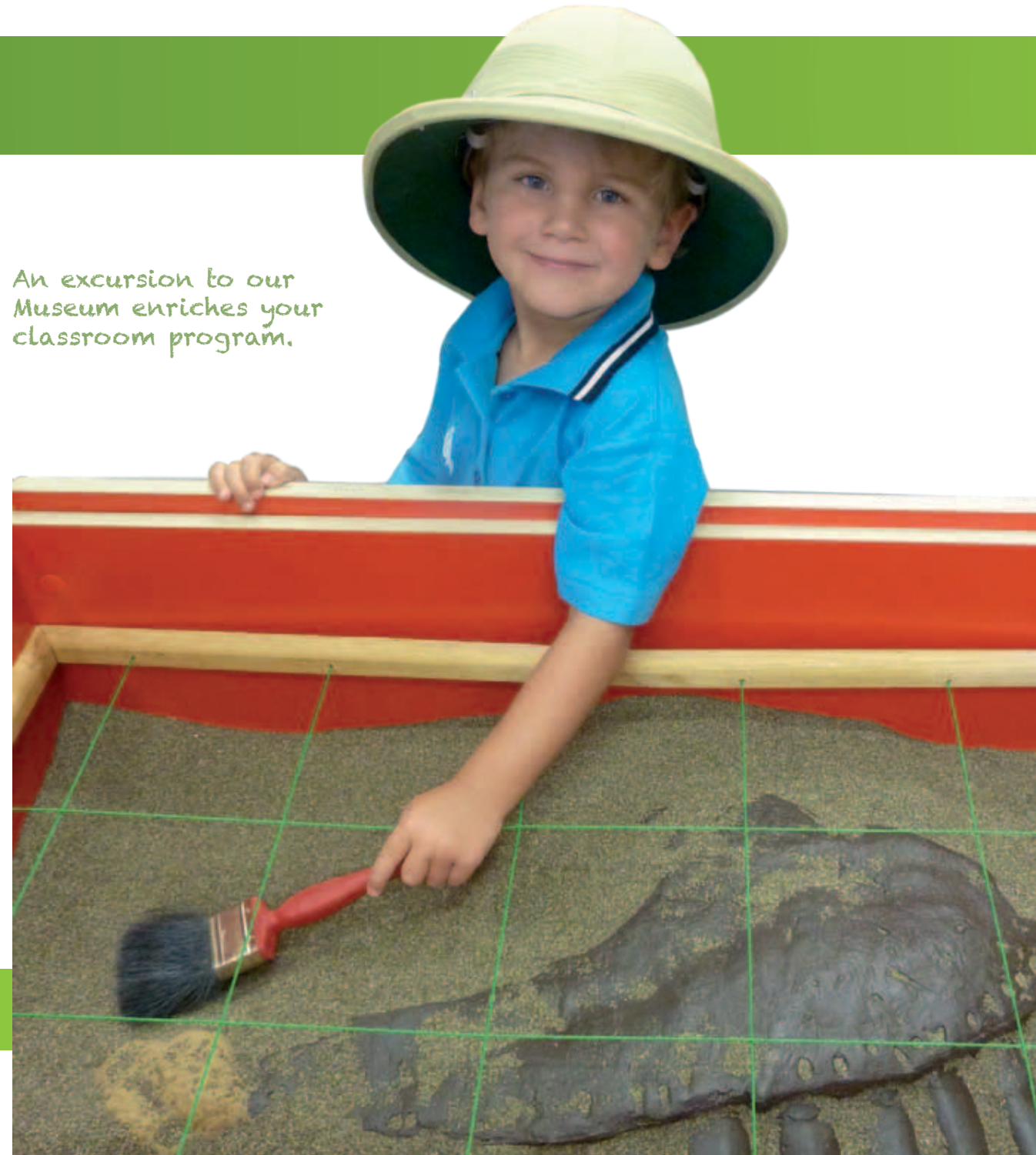
Western Australian Museum – Perth  
Perth Cultural Centre, James Street, Perth  
Open 9:30am - 5:00pm on school days



Our Education Officers will take students on a memorable learning adventure, bringing the exhibitions and objects of the *Western Australian Museum – Perth* to life with experiences that will inform, entertain and inspire.

Where else can your students unearth a buried T-Rex fossil, reconstruct the face of an extinct predator, wrap an Egyptian mummy, examine Aboriginal artefacts, discover amazing animal species or travel back in time to explore the past?

An excursion to our Museum enriches your classroom program.



## Excursion Options

### Facilitated Programs:

All facilitated programs are led by an Education Officer and must be booked in advance. Programs occur daily at 9:45am, 11:00am and 12:15pm and are approximately one hour in duration, depending on the age of the students.

We recommend that you also allow additional time to explore the galleries in the Museum. You may like to supplement your visit with self-guided resources.

### Self-guided Gallery Exploration:

Visit the Museum and explore the galleries in small groups at your own pace.

### Self-guided *Museum Explorer Experience* (K-3)

Explore our galleries with one of our interactive story books, made just for little explorers and their adult helpers.

## Program Costs

### Facilitated Programs:

\$5.00 per student (including GST).

### Self-guided Gallery Exploration:

Entry by donation.

### Self-guided *Museum Explorer Experience* (K-3)

\$2.00 per student (including GST).

## Further Information

Please refer to our website for information and resources relating to school excursions.

[museum.wa.gov.au/education](http://museum.wa.gov.au/education)

### Excursion Bookings

Western Australian Museum – Perth  
Perth Cultural Centre, James Street, Perth  
(08) 9427 2792  
[education@museum.wa.gov.au](mailto:education@museum.wa.gov.au)



## K - 3 Early Childhood

### We Dig Dinosaurs

**S** Palaeontology

*How do we know everything that we know about dinosaurs?* Reveal, reconstruct and investigate fossils and other prehistoric evidence, just like a real palaeontologist.

### Knowing Nature

**S** Biodiversity

*How are living and non-living things connected in a healthy ecosystem?* Explore parts of a wetland environment through the eyes of a native species, and use problem-solving skills to recreate a fauna-friendly habitat in an urban environment.

### Danjoo Kattadjin – Learning Together

**S&E** Aboriginal Culture

*How do Aboriginal families share knowledge about culture and Country?* Explore stories, art and play to discover how children learn to understand the land and look after each other.

### In the Olden Days

**S&E** WA History

*How was life in the olden days different to now?* Examine family life in the early 1900s by investigating old photos, historical artefacts and other objects.

### Museum Explorer

Self-guided Experiences

Explore our galleries with one of our interactive story books, made just for little explorers and their adult helpers. Please refer to our website for available topics.

## 4 - 7 Middle Childhood

### Fossil Forensics

**S** Palaeontology

*How can palaeontological evidence reveal information about an extinct animal?* Help solve a prehistoric puzzle through a hands-on investigation of a unique Australian fossil.

### Threatened or Thriving

**S** Biodiversity

*Why are some of our native species under threat?* Participate in interactive challenges to investigate the environmental impacts of fire, disease, habitat loss and other threatening processes.

### Unwrapping Egypt

**S&E** Ancient History

*How did Ancient Egyptian beliefs influence their burial practices?* Experience mummification and other funerary practices for an Egyptian citizen's journey into the afterlife.

### Boojar Kattadjin – Learning Country

**S&E** Aboriginal Culture

*How do Aboriginal people use, care for and protect natural resources?* Investigate tools and other objects to discover how local resources are used in innovative and sustainable ways.

### Preserving our Past

**S&E** WA History

*How can we use historical sources to learn about the past?* Explore the past by investigating a range of historical artefacts and sources, and learn about the importance of preserving our heritage.

### Wild About Wetlands

**S** Biodiversity

*How can we tell if a wetland is healthy?* Use science equipment to test water quality and explore the various elements that have an effect on the health of wetland ecosystems.

## 8 - 10 Early Adolescence

### Self-guided Experiences

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Please visit our website for our range of self-guided topics and resources.

## 11 - 12 Late Adolescence

### Self-guided Experiences

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For more information on our programs visit us online: [museum.wa.gov.au/education](http://museum.wa.gov.au/education)

