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Sleeping with Woolly Mammoth at the Royal BC Museum

Victoria, **BC** – Have you ever wondered what happens at a museum at night, after everyone goes home? Find out at the Royal BC Museum's first-ever "Night at the Museum" Family Sleepover on May 13-14, 2011.

Families will explore the galleries after hours with activities, games, stories, snacks, flashlight tours and a late night IMAX film. Familiar spaces – experienced in new ways – provide a magical and memorable evening. After an evening of adventures, kids age 6 and up and their parents crawl into sleeping bags then curl up next to Woolly Mammoth, the seashore or rainforest displays.

In the morning, families limber up with yoga, have a pancake breakfast, and also have the option of visiting the museum during the day on Saturday, all included with registration.

For more details on this event, visit www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/NightAtTheMuseum or contact Chris O'Connor, Sleepover Organizer, at 250-387-2163 or coconnor@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca

Sleepover Details

Ages:

6 to 16 years for youth, 19 years or older for adults. This event is designed for families so each youth *must* be accompanied by their own parent or guardian.

Pre-registration is required:

Museum Member - \$67.50 per participant (youth, adult, senior) Non-Member- \$75 per participant (youth, adult, senior)

Sleepover Schedule:

Check In - 6:30pm, Friday May 13, 2011 Orientation - 7:00pm- 7:30pm Museum activities - 7:30-9:30 Snacks - 9:30pm-10:00pm Presentations and flashlight tours - 10:00pm-10:30pm IMAX film/ Story time - 10:30pm-11:30pm Quiet activities/ Getting ready for bed - 11:30pm-Midnight Lights out - Midnight Wake up - 6:00am-7:00am Morning yoga - 6:30am Breakfast - 7:00am-8:00am Pack up belongings - 8:00am-8:30am Farewell - 8:30am-9:00am Explore the museum further – 10:00am to 5:00pm

About the Royal BC Museum

As the provincial museum and archives, the Royal BC Museum preserves and shares the stories of British Columbia – on-site, off-site and online – through its research, collections, exhibitions and educational programs. Its two-hectare cultural precinct also includes a number of historically significant buildings and First Nations sites.

For more information about the Royal BC Museum, visit www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca or call 1-888-447-7977.

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