The Australian Museum is Australia’s first museum and home to the largest collection of natural and cultural specimens in the southern hemisphere.

General admission is FREE for under-16s and high school students thanks to a NSW Government initiative. Bookings are required for all groups.

Australian Museum
1 William Street, Sydney NSW 2010
Daily 9.30am–5pm
Bookings essential

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australianmuseum.net.au/education-services

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Secondary School programs

At the Australian Museum in 2019
Get hands-on

Gallery experiences bring students out of the classroom and into the immersive and stunning exhibition spaces.

- **Australia’s First Scientists (S2–S3)**
  History, Science, Geography

- **First Australians galleries tour (S2–S3)**
  Science, History, Geography, Visual Arts

Our educator-led sessions allow students to get up close and personal with real specimens and objects.

- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture (ES1 – S3)**
  Geography, History, Visual Art, Science

- **Aboriginal Art (ES1–S3)**
  History, Science, Visual Art

- **Aboriginal Bush Foods and Medicine (S2–S3)**
  History, Science

- **Aboriginal Fibres and Weaving (S2–S3)**
  History, Science, Visual Art

- **Animal Adaptations: Past to present (S3)**
  Science, English

- **Animal Adaptations: The effects of climate change (S3)**
  Science, English

- **Australian Animals (ES1–S2)**
  Science

- **Dinosaurs (ES1–S1)**
  Science

- **Invertebrate animals (ES1–S2)**
  Science

- **200 Treasures: Storytelling through objects (S2–S3)**
  English, Geography, History

- **Rocks and minerals (S2)**
  Geography

More information including curriculum outcomes and content available at: australianmuseum.net.au/museum-educator-led-programs
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Join in the fun!

Science Festival
Secondary school dates
9–19 August 2019

Participate in the biggest celebration of science for schools!

The Sydney Science Festival at the Australian Museum engages students through interactive workshops, shows, and specialty science that demonstrates the latest in science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics (STEAM).

Activities are presented in collaboration with a huge range of organisations to create a learning experience that places your students at the forefront of contemporary science and innovation.

Find out more by calling 02 9320 6389 or emailing see@austmus.gov.au

Thank you to our Major Partner 3M Australia and our other Festival and Education Partners.

Enhance your learning

Downloadable self-guided resources complement our permanent and temporary exhibitions.

A range of learning activities and resources are also available which focus on Australian natural science and Indigenous culture.

All resources available at: australianmuseum.net.au/education-services
Focus in

Book your class in for a specialist Stage 6 program.

Earth’s Resources

This half day program will spark the interest of students and address Module 1: Earth’s Resources in the Stage 6 Earth and Environmental Science NSW syllabus.

With a combination of gallery experiences and hands on workshops, students will learn about Aboriginal quarrying and stone tool making, investigate the features and uses of rocks, and handle real meteorites. There is also an option to go behind the scenes into the Australian Museum’s extensive mineral collection*.

*Dependant on class size and availability.

Biological Diversity Study Days

This engaging full day program has been developed by the Australian Museum, the Royal Botanic Garden & Domain Trust and Taronga Zoo to address Module 3 (Biological Diversity) and 4 (Ecosystem Dynamics) in Stage 6 Biology NSW syllabus.

With a half day session at the Museum, students will investigate fossils, skeletons and DNA from Australian animals, to gather evidence in support of the Theory of Evolution. At the Botanic Garden and Zoo half day session, students will learn about adaptations and natural selection, as they explore native Australian flora, cutting-edge botanic science, and encounter live animals from the Taronga Zoomobile.

The program is also available at Campbelltown, Blue Mountains, Dubbo and Coffs Harbour.

See more at: https://australianmuseum.net.au/museum-educator-led-programs
The Museums Discovery Centre (MDC) is a collaboration between the AM, the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences (MAAS) and Sydney Living Museums.

The facility houses millions of items from the collections of the three museums, with a wide range of items on permanent display to the public. Many of the items in the display galleries have not been exhibited before, and there are many more treasures to be seen by taking a booked tour through the deep stores where museum staff work day to day.

See more at: australianmuseum.net.au/event/museums-discovery-centre

**Whales | Tohorā – Discover the giants of the ocean**

Closes 28 April 2019

This highly interactive and theatrical exhibition brings the world of whales to life.

*Whales | Tohorā* explores the diversity, biology and adaptation of whales in the ocean, and tells rich cultural stories of the relationship between people of the South Pacific and whales. The powerful combination of accessible, interactive science and cultural storytelling will bring your students ‘eye to eye’ with these magnificent yet enigmatic marine mammals.

See more at: australianmuseum.net.au/whales

**Museums Discovery Centre**

See our exhibitions

Developed by the Museums of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa. This exhibition was made possible through the support of the New Zealand Government. Photo by Jon Crossland

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Bring the museum to you

The Australian Museum has a range of outreach programs for schools.

**Biological Diversity Study Days**
Specifically designed for Stage 6 Biology students, this program is presented at locations across NSW including Blue Mountains, Campbelltown, Coffs Harbour, Dubbo and Sydney...
See more at: australianmuseum.net.au/biological-diversity-study-days

**Frogs count! Join FrogID**
Frogs are good indicators of environmental health because they are highly sensitive to changes on land and in water. Help us count Australia’s frogs by recording frog calls in your area with our FrogID app. Every species makes a different call, so FrogID is helping scientists learn more about the distribution of frogs, the health of their environment and how to save them.
Learn more and start contributing at frogid.net.au

**Virtual Excursions**
Video conferencing provides a great opportunity to have your school connect with the Australian Museum’s vast collections, educators and experts, offering interactive learning anywhere and everywhere.
There are a variety of programs on offer throughout the year, on topics including minibeasts, Indigenous Australians, geology, dinosaurs and megafauna. There’s something for every school!
For more information, please email video.conferencing@austmus.gov.au

**Science on the Road**
The explorative, interactive and explosively fun science of the Australian Museum goes on the road and into schools across the country to showcase and celebrate the best in Australian STEAM.
Contact us by calling 02 9230 6389 or emailing see@austmus.gov.au to find out where we’re heading in 2019, or to discuss opportunities for an event in your area.

Thank you to our Outreach Partners.

Museum in a Box®
Museum in a Box® provides quality educational resources for students of all ages. Each box contains a treasure trove of real Museum specimens and artefacts, helpful hints and activities, ideas and information. With 30 topics to choose from, there’s plenty of variety to discover.
See more at: australianmuseum.net.au/museum-in-a-box

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