

## **DINOSAURS RETURN TO THE GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE AFTER SELL OUT PERFORMANCE OF A T. REX IS LOOSE! IN PRIOR THEATER FOR FAMILIES SEASON**

***Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County's Amazing 14 Foot Long T. rex Puppet Will Again Pair with the Geffen Playhouse Story Pirates for an Unforgettable Storytelling Event: Dinosaurs!***

***Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.***

**LOS ANGELES, February 5, 2013** – The **Geffen Playhouse Story Pirates** are once again teaming up with the **Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County** to present ***Dinosaurs!***, complete with a walking, stalking kid dinosaur. For the second time, Hunter, the museum's resident Tyrannosaurus rex (aptly named because he's always on the lookout for a good meal) will be loose in the theater! But, you know what they say; the show must go on. In true Story Pirates fashion, the performance will be based on stories written by kids – mostly about dinosaurs and prehistoric life – and everyone will learn a little something about the way dinosaurs lived. And if that Tyrannosaurus rex interrupts the show, it will be up to the audience (and of course the Pirates) to figure out a way to stop him.

This is the second partnership in as many years between the Geffen Playhouse Story Pirates and the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County. Hunter, typically capturing the imaginations of young audiences on a weekly basis at the museum, will travel to the Geffen for this special production and join the Pirates on stage after a fresh opening number and between new stories written by this year's selection of young authors. The performance is recommended for ages seven to eleven (the same approximate age Hunter himself was built to portray) and will perform in the Gil Cates Theater at the **Geffen Playhouse** on **Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.**

### ***DINOSAURS!***

Saturday, April 13 at 11:00 a.m.  
Gil Cates Theater at the Geffen Playhouse  
10886 Le Conte Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024  
[www.geffenplayhouse.com](http://www.geffenplayhouse.com)

### **TICKET INFO:**

Ticket prices are \$10 for children and \$15 for adults or can be purchased as part of a subscription (which packages three or more shows and begins at \$30). Contact the Geffen Playhouse box office in-person, via phone at 310-208-5454 or online at [www.geffenplayhouse.com](http://www.geffenplayhouse.com) for updated pricing and seating availability.

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**ABOUT THE GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE**

The Geffen Playhouse has been a hub of the Los Angeles theater scene since opening its doors in 1995. Noted for its intimacy and celebrated for its world-renowned mix of classic and contemporary plays, provocative new works and second productions, the Geffen Playhouse continues to present a body of work that has garnered national recognition. Named in honor of entertainment mogul and philanthropist David Geffen, who made the initial donation to the theater, the company was founded by Gilbert Cates, and is currently helmed by Artistic Director Randall Arney, Managing Director Ken Novice and Chairman of the Board Frank Mancuso. Proudly associated with UCLA, the Geffen Playhouse welcomes an audience of more than 130,000 each year, and maintains an extensive education and outreach program, designed to engage young people and the community at large in the arts. For more information, please visit [www.geffenplayhouse.com](http://www.geffenplayhouse.com).

**ABOUT THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

NHM was the first dedicated museum building in Los Angeles, opening its doors in 1913 and this year will be celebrating its hundredth birthday with a series of centennial events. NHM has amassed one of the world's most extensive and valuable collections of natural and cultural history — with more than 35 million objects, some as old as 4.5 billion years. The Natural History Family of Museums includes the NHM, the William S. Hart Museum (Newhall, California) and the Page Museum at the La Brea Tar Pits (Hancock Park/Mid-Wilshire) which last September premiered the new *Ice Age Encounters* show featuring a large-scale Saber-toothed cat puppet and runs on Wednesdays and Saturdays. You can also catch Hunter in action at the Natural History Museum every Thursday through Sunday in their on-going *Dinosaur Encounters* program. For more information, visit [www.nhm.org](http://www.nhm.org).

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