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Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History



The Peabody was founded in 1866 with a gift of \$150,000 from philanthropist **George Peabody**, the uncle of O.C. Marsh. Today the Museum's renowned collections of 13 million specimens and artifacts are the basis



George Peabody

for research, publication, exhibition and education in the realms of natural history, archaeology and ethnology.

The Peabody's renowned vertebrate paleontology collection, third largest in the nation, includes *Deinonychus antirrhopus*, a relative of Velociraptor discovered by Yale's **John Ostrom**, along with fossils collected and named by **O.C. Marsh**: *Brontosaurus*, *Stegosaurus* and *Triceratops*. They are on display in the Great Hall of Dinosaurs over which looms the world's largest and most famous dinosaur painting, **Rudolph Zallinger's** Pulitzer-Award-winning *The Age of Reptiles*.

One of the Peabody's earliest collections is the outstanding rock and mineral collection started by **Benjamin Silliman** for use in his pioneering teaching of geology and mineralogy at Yale, several specimens of which are on exhibit in the new Hall of Minerals, Earth and Space. **Elihu Yale** would have a soft spot for this exhibit. Critical to the founding of Yale University was the fortune he amassed trading diamonds, a gem featured here in the history of diamond cuts.

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Each spring in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, thousands of elk migrate from far-flung winter ranges in Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho, to high-elevation summer ranges nearer to the core of Yellowstone National Park.

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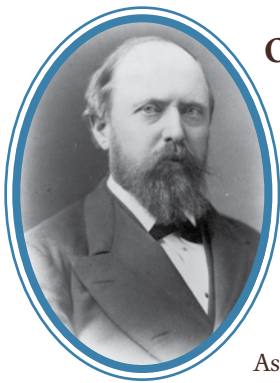
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O. C. Marsh Fellows Program

2016-2017



O. C. Marsh

Othniel Charles Marsh was a founding curator of the Yale Peabody Museum and a pioneer in the study of vertebrate paleontology in the United States.

The Fellows

As an O. C. Marsh Fellow, enjoy stimulating talks and the conviviality of accompanying social functions while embracing a **mission** to help fund important projects. You will be recognized as a Fellow at the giving level selected and your goodwill and generosity acknowledged in Peabody *Explorer* and other publications.

Membership and Benefits

- **Membership in O.C. Marsh** with the privilege of attending program talks at no additional charge except those in December and May that occur during a seated dinner.
- **Membership in the Yale Peabody Museum** with **free admission privileges** at hundreds of participating museums and science centers.
- **Invitations to exhibition openings** and special events.
- Privilege of attending **catered cocktail receptions**, the **Holiday Dinner**, **Dinner with the Director**, and **informal dinners** following selected programs at the cost noted.

Reception and Dinner Cost

Starred (*) receptions: \$25; starred (*) dinners: \$40; combined reception and dinner: \$60. Holiday Dinner, January Brunch, and Dinner with the Director fees are noted.

Information

The O. C. Marsh registration form can be found online at peabody.yale.edu/support/oc-marsh-fellows-program. For additional information, contact Melanie Brigockas at 203.432.5099 or peabody.pr@yale.edu.

O.C. Marsh Fellows Program 2016-17

Tuesday, October 18

5:30 p.m. Reception*; 6:30 p.m. Talk
7:30 p.m. Dinner* in the Bird Hall

The Mystery of Sleep (including that of dinosaurs!)

Meir Kryger, M.D., professor of Medicine, Yale School of Medicine; pioneer of sleep medicine; contributor to The Doctor's Channel and Psychology Today

Tuesday, November 15

5:30 p.m. Reception*; 6:20 p.m. Talk
7:20 p.m. Dinner* in the Bird Hall

Bat Conservation Takes Flight in Nigeria: A people, their caves, forests and mountains

Iroro Tanshi, bat ecologist and educator; featured in CNN video on her research in the Afi Mountain area of her native Nigeria

Wednesday, December 7

HOLIDAY DINNER

6:00 p.m. Reception, Dinner and Talk, \$75 inclusive

How 'Natural Geoengineering' Can Help Slow Global Warming

Oswald Schmitz, director, Yale Institute for Biospheric Studies; the Oastler Professor of Population and Community Ecology at Yale

Sunday, January 8

11:00 a.m. Brunch in David Friend Hall \$35; 12:00 p.m. Talk

Spanning the Globe in Search of Fine Minerals

Jim and Gail Spann, fine mineral collectors, Dallas, TX

Thursday, February 16

5:30 p.m. Reception*; 6:20 p.m. Talk
7:20 p.m. Dinner* in the Bird Hall

Meet *Homo naledi*, a new human ancestor

Jeremy DeSilva, associate professor of anthropology, Dartmouth College; member of the discovery team

Tuesday, March 7

5:30 p.m. Reception*; 6:30 p.m. Documentary Film

Elk River: Elk migrations of Yellowstone

Finalist, Banff Mountain Film Festival, featuring 2016 National Geographic Adventurers of the Year Arthur Middleton and Joe Riis, and artist James Prosek, a Peabody curatorial affiliate

Wednesday, April 19

5:30 p.m. Reception*; 6:20 p.m. Talk
7:20 p.m. Dinner* in the Bird Hall

The Dragon in the Dove: Resurrecting the dinosaur within a bird and other works of genetic time travel

Bhart-Anjan Bhullar, associate professor of geology & geophysics at Yale; assistant curator of vertebrate paleontology and vertebrate zoology, Yale Peabody Museum

Tuesday, May 9

6:00 p.m. Reception; 6:30 p.m. Dinner, \$80 inclusive

DINNER WITH THE DIRECTOR

In the Great Hall

David Skelly, Director, Yale Peabody Museum; the Frank R. Oastler Professor of Ecology at Yale

Pyromorphite, Les Farges, France.

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