***Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs***

**Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019**

**Photo Captions**

**A different world**Maps and touch-screen game stations allow visitors to learn more about life during the Permian Period in the “Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs” exhibit, on display at the Florida Museum in Gainesville Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019. ©Photo courtesy of Denis Smith

**Interactive dig pits**
Visitors will have the opportunity to step into the shoes of a paleontologist and sift through two interactive dig pits in the “Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs” exhibit, on display at the Florida Museum in Gainesville Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019. ©Photo courtesy of Denis Smith

**An up-close look**Seven animatronic figures bring the Permian Period to life and let guests see and hear from some of its most distinguished creatures, like this Titanophoneus, in the “Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs” exhibit, on display at the Florida Museum in Gainesville Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019. ©Photo courtesy of Gondwana Studios

**Life-like sculptures**Realistic models, like of this Cacops, depict a range of strange creatures that lived in the Permian Period in the “Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs” exhibit, on display at the Florida Museum in Gainesville Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019. ©Photo courtesy of Denis Smith

**Incredible art**

A dozen illustrations from award-winning paleo-artist Julius Csotonyi bring the Permian Period to life in the “Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs” exhibit, on display at the Florida Museum in Gainesville Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019. ©Photo courtesy of Gondwana Studios

**Get a feel for the Permian Period**
Fossil casts and reconstructed models provide a hands-on experience of the Permian Period in the “Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs” exhibit, on display at the Florida Museum in Gainesville Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019. ©Photo courtesy of Denis Smith

**The Permian sea**

During the Permian Period, all the continents were connected and surrounded by a superocean known as Panthalassa. Learn what underwater life was like in the “Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs” exhibit, on display at the Florida Museum in Gainesville Sept. 29, 2018-May 5, 2019. ©Photo courtesy of Gondwana Studios