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# Exploring Human Origins

## Smithsonian Traveling Exhibition

**Saturday, July 30 – Monday, Aug 22**

Based on the Smithsonian's *What Does It Mean to Be Human? Hall of Human Origins* exhibition, **Exploring Human Origins** seeks to engage audiences in the complex field of human evolution. Through panels, interactive kiosks, hands-on displays, and videos, **Exploring Human Origins** invites audiences to explore milestones in the evolutionary journey of becoming human.

**Additional Programming:**

**Wednesday, August 3 @ 7:00p**

(presented by Oakland University scientists)

Human Evolution and Environmental Change

**Saturday, August 6 @ 7:00p**

(presented by Smithsonian scientists)

Official Exhibit Opening: An Evening of Science

**Monday, August 8 @ 7:00p**

(presented by Smithsonian scientists)

Exploring the Meanings of Human Evolution? A  
Community Conversation

**Monday, August 15 @ 7:00p**

**Monday, August 22 @ 7:00p**

Book Discussions

**Wednesday, August 17 @ 7:00p**

(presented by Oakland University scientists)

What is Archaeology?

**Tuesday, August 2 @ 2:30p**

Build a Beast (Ages 8 and up)

**Wednesday, August 17 @ 2:00p**

Dinosaur Fossils (Gr K-5)

**Monday, August 8, 10:00a-1:00p**

Educators Workshop Exploring Human Origins  
*This workshop is for classroom teachers; science,  
nature center, and museum educators;  
homeschoolers; and other local educators only.*

**Tuesday, August 9 @ 9:00a**

Clergy Tour and Discussion

*This is a dedicated, private time for clergy to view  
the exhibit while the library is not open to the public.*

**Register at [orionlibrary.org/calendar](http://orionlibrary.org/calendar)**



In conjunction with the Orion Art Center, artists of ALL AGES can enter artwork depicting their interpretation of "What Does It Mean to Be Human." Art will be displayed in the library during the exhibit. Visit [orionlibrary.org](http://orionlibrary.org) for entry forms.



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