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**JURASSIC PARK COMES TO LIBERTY STATE PARK:
LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER OPENS INTERACTIVE DINO DIG EXHIBITION,
INSPIRED BY LEGENDARY PALEONTOLOGIST JACK HORNER, MAY 21**

Jersey City, NJ – May 9, 2016 – Liberty State Park will become *Jurassic Park* when Liberty Science Center transforms its backyard into an archeological dig site for the special limited-engagement “Dino Dig” exhibition beginning Saturday, May 21.

Guests will have the unique opportunity to experience a paleontological expedition during the month-long exhibition, working alongside LSC’s Dino Dig Guide Team to discover replica fossils of prehistoric creatures from the late Cretaceous period buried in the 35 tons of sand that will cover the specially designed space.

“Dino Dig,” which runs through June 10, is inspired by legendary paleontologist Jack Horner, the inspiration of the Michael Crichton novel and Steven Spielberg film *Jurassic Park*. The dig is intended to evoke the renowned fossil-rich Hell Creek Formation in Montana, site of a significant field study originated by Mr. Horner and his colleagues.

Guests will be able to meet Mr. Horner during a special “Dino Dig” preview on Wednesday, May 18, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Center. Two days later, LSC will bestow its highest honor, the Genius Award, upon Mr. Horner at its prestigious Genius Gala 5.0 on Friday, May 20. Whoopi Goldberg, the acclaimed performer and science enthusiast, and LSC President and CEO Paul Hoffman will present the award to Mr. Horner.

“Every kid has imagined how cool it would be to dig for dinosaur bones,” said Mr. Hoffman. “Liberty Science Center is all about bringing science to life in fun, interactive, and compelling ways. With Jack Horner’s expertise to guide us, our ‘Dino Dig’ guests will see first-hand how exciting paleontology can be.”

“Dino Dig” officially opens at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, and runs through June 10. The exhibition is included with Liberty Science Center’s general admission price starting at \$17.75. To purchase tickets, please visit www.lsc.org.

About Liberty Science Center

Liberty Science Center (LSC.org) is a 300,000-square-foot not-for-profit learning center located in Liberty State Park on the Jersey City bank of the Hudson near the Statue of Liberty. Dedicated to bringing the power, promise, and pure fun of science and technology to people of all ages, Liberty Science Center houses 12 museum exhibition halls, a live animal collection with 110 species, giant aquariums, a 3D theater, the world’s largest IMAX Dome Theater, live simulcast surgeries, a tornado-force wind simulator, K-12 classrooms and labs, and teacher-development programs. More than 250,000 students visit the Science Center each year, and tens of thousands more participate in the Center’s offsite and online programs. LSC is the most visited cultural institution in New Jersey with more than 650,000 visitors annually and the largest interactive science center in the NYC-NJ metropolitan area.