



The PA State Museum is located on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, between Forster and North Streets.

**Street parking in downtown Harrisburg is free on Sundays.**

Parking garage fees may apply.

**Meet in the lobby before the admissions desk.**

The tour will be limited to approximately 30 people.

\* An optional and informal social gathering will be held at **Appalachian Brewing Company** on Cameron Street following the museum tour. No RSVP needed for ABC.

## HAGS/AEG

Summer 2018 Field Trip – <http://statemuseumpa.org/>

### PA State Museum “Behind the Scenes” Tour

With Paleontologist Dr. Steven E. Jasinski

**Sunday, August 19th, 2018**

**2 p.m. – Tour will last 1-2 hours**

**Tour info:** A behind-the-scenes tour of what is going on in the Section of Paleontology and Geology at the State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg. We will explore what goes on in the department and what the public rarely gets to see. This will include some things on specimen preparation and the way the collection is managed, in addition to exploring some of the many specimens in the collections. The collections at the State Museum of Pennsylvania include over 37,000 specimens, including nearly 8,000 minerals and nearly 30,000 fossils, the majority of which come from Pennsylvania. These include large collections of minerals from Pennsylvania, fossil invertebrates and vertebrates from the Devonian of Pennsylvania and fossil plants from the Pennsylvanian of Pennsylvania. The museum also houses the most complete mammoth and mastodon specimens known from Pennsylvania and the collections are expanding weekly.

**Biography:** Dr. Steven E. Jasinski completed his BS in Geobiology at Pennsylvania State University and his MS in Biology, with an emphasis in paleontology, at East Tennessee State University. He defended his Ph.D. in paleontology in 2018 at the University of Pennsylvania. He has worked at the State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg since 2009 and has been the acting Curator of Paleontology and Geology since 2012. His research interests have varied between the evolution and paleobiology of various animal groups, including dinosaurs, turtles, and carnivorous mammals, and the paleoecology of various groups at various times, with a focus in North America and China. He has numerous scientific articles ranging from new species of dinosaurs to the digging and locomotor capabilities of ancient armadillos and is an editor for the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science Bulletin and the Eastern Paleontologist.



**Mature children age 12 years + are welcome**

Please RSVP to Amy Randolph, HAGS Secretary, by no later than **noon on Wednesday, August 15, 2018** at [secretaryhags@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryhags@gmail.com) with your name & the number of guests joining you.