

Race to the End of the Earth*May 17-October 14, 2013*

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Race to the End of the Earth Feature Presentation and Exhibition Tour

Proceed as if this had not happened: Amundsen, Scott and the Quest for the South Pole

Dr. Ross MacPhee, Curator, American Museum of Natural History

May 16, 2013

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Just over a hundred years ago, Roald Amundsen and four companions were the first human beings to stand at the South Pole. Using skis and dog sleds they beat Robert Falcon Scott's British expedition by just a few weeks. Scott and his men reached the South Pole only to find Amundsen's Norwegian flag planted in the frozen ground. They died on their return journey not far from their base camp. What made the South Pole such a prize and what motivated these men to venture into one of Earth's most inhospitable environments?

Join Ross MacPhee, curator of Race to the End of the Earth, to hear the story behind this most famous of all Antarctic true-life adventure tales as witnessed in amazing period photographs and other media. Dr. MacPhee will sign copies of his book, *Race to The End* (Sterling, 2010), at the conclusion of his lecture.

Exhibition preview follows the presentation. Tickets \$30 (10% member discount). Available online or at the museum box office.

Night at the Museum

AGES 8-12, FAMILY

May 31, 2013

6:30 p.m. to 9 a.m. the following morning. Orientation begins at 7 p.m.

Reach for the end of the earth on an overnight adventure to Antarctica! After everyone has gone home and the Royal BC Museum's doors have been closed for the night, families can join in the Race to the End of the Earth exhibition for games, flashlight tours and an expedition. In the morning, enjoy a pancake breakfast before beginning the trek back home. Youth must be accompanied by an adult. Suggested age range for youth 6-16 years. Members: \$67.50 per person. General Public: \$75.00.

Quest Lecture Series

In the Quest Lecture Series, people can meet British Columbian adventurers who dared to explore the Antarctic. Cost for each lecture is \$16 per person. 10% member discount. Attend the entire series for \$71.40 (Not valid with any other offers. Not transferable.) Available online or at the museum box office.

Quest Lecture: Pat Morrow, Photographer and Mountain Climber

July 4, 2013

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

On his way to becoming the first to climb the highest peak on all seven continents, Morrow co-founded the logistics company Adventure Network in order to get himself and subsequent adventures to Antarctica's highest peak, Mt Vinson Massif.

Quest Lecture: Hayley Shephard, Wilderness Guide, Author of South Solo: Kayaking to Save the Albatross

July 18, 2013

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

In 2010, Shephard was the first person to attempt a solo sea kayak journey around South Georgia Island, a Sub-Antarctic Island. Documented in her movie Soul of the Sea her journey also served to raise awareness of the plight of the Albatross.

Quest Lecture: Gareth Wood, author South Pole: 900 Miles on Foot

August 1, 2013

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Wood lived two years in a small hut in Antarctica. During that time, he and two Britons trekked 900 miles on foot to the South Pole, becoming the first in history to accomplish such a journey without support such as dog sleds or radio communications. The team was personally awarded Polar Medals by Queen Elizabeth the II.

Quest: Adrian Raeside, author Return to Antarctica

September 5, 2013

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Related to three members of the Scott Expedition, Raeside traveled to Antarctica in 2008-09 to retrace his grandfather, Sir Charles Wright's footsteps.

Quest Lecture: Jana Stefan, Conservator and Royal BC Museum Exhibit Arts Technician

October 3, 2013

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Stefan has lived and worked in Antarctica for two seasons, enduring extreme living conditions in order to preserve the world's most remote historic site, R.F. Scott's Expedition Hut.

Hands-on in the Exhibition

AGES 8-12, FAMILY, TEENS/ADULTS

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily.

The fantastic crew of docents from the Royal BC Museum will provide extra hands-on-learning opportunities exploring the themes presented within the exhibition. Look for the docents everyday. Free with admission

Summer Camp – Royal BC Museum Base Camp

AGES 8-12

July 8-12, July 22-26, August 12-16, August 19-23

9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Budding adventurers will discover their inner explorer in these week long summer camp at the Royal BC Museum. In addition to learning about Race to the End of the Earth's Scott and Amundsen's famous expeditions, participants will also learn about modern science taking place at the pole. Campers will spend lots of time in our feature exhibition as well as getting outdoors. Secure your spot early, last year's camps sold out. Lunch and snacks not provided.

\$244 per person. 10% member discount.

Wonder Sunday: Polar Adventure

August 25, 2013

1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Did you ever wonder if you were the adventurous type? Come on an imaginary Antarctic journey, and discover your inner explorer. The penguins await. Wonder Sunday is an interactive, learning-based special event that happens on the last Sunday of every month.

Free with admission or membership.