

DR. JOHN FOX FOSSIL COLLECTION



The new collection of fossils, recently added to the Nature Room, was generously donated by Dr. John Fox, a former Baylor professor. He is an archaeologist, anthropologist, paleontologist, fossil hunter, and collector. Dr. Fox has spent much of his life learning and educating others.

The collection consists of over 100 individual pieces, varying in size, predominantly aging from the Cretaceous geological time period which spans from about 135 million years ago to about 65 million years ago. The fossils were found within 80 miles of Bosque County known to have a rich marine fossil history, as the area was once under

water. Several of the fossils were even found at the Horn Shelter.

There are three main types of fossils in this collection which are featured in the exhibition:

- **Ammonites**, fossilized mollusks kin to the modern Nautilus, a spiral-shaped, shell-dwelling cephalopod;
- **Bivalves**, mollusks with two valves including common sea creatures such as oysters, clams, and mussels; and
- **Echinoids**, fossilized sand dollars, sea urchins, star fish, and the like.

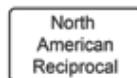
We are very grateful to Dr. Fox for his donation. The expanded exhibition will educate many students and adults who will come through the museum and learn about the importance of the different types of fossils found in and around Bosque County.

This exhibition is now part of the museum's permanent collection and can be viewed during normal business hours. Updates will be made as the museum continues to develop the exhibition as an educational tool.

Special note: Dr. John Fox has been awarded an Associate Membership to the Bosque Museum.

**Thanks to our Newsletter Contributors:
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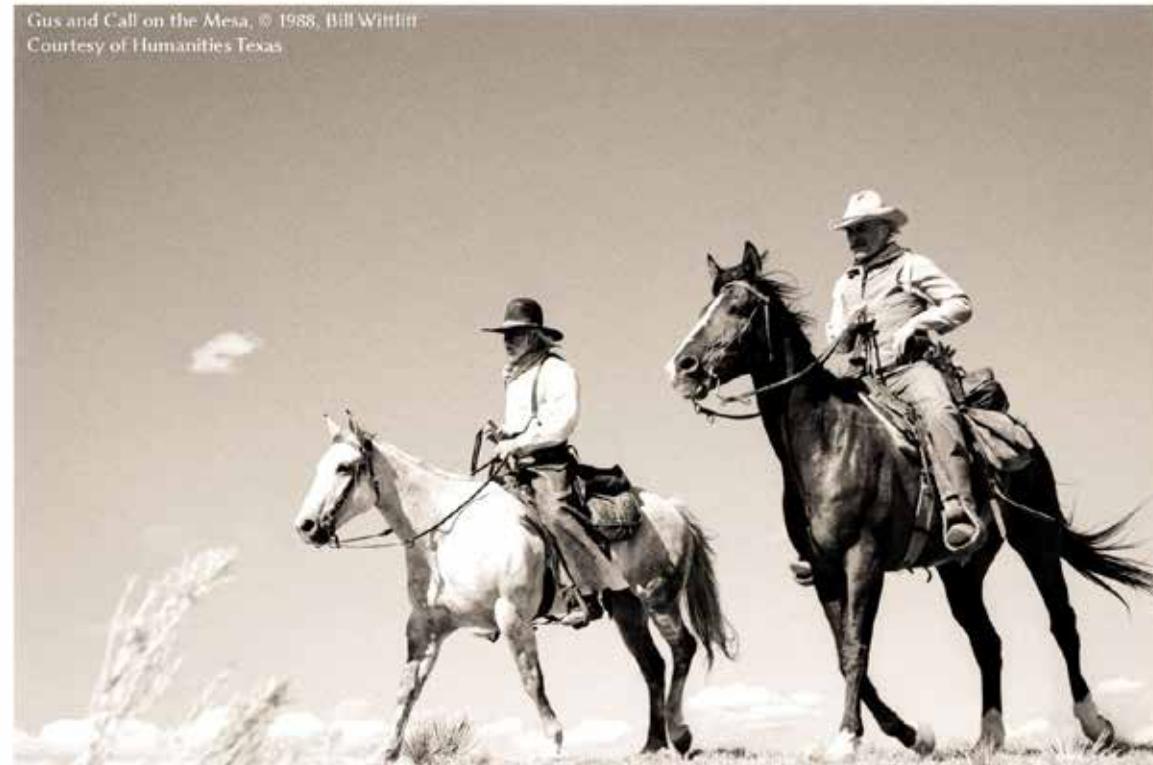
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LONESOME DOVE

TRAVELING PHOTO EXHIBITION

JANUARY 23 - MARCH 3, 2018

AT THE BOSQUE MUSEUM IN CLIFTON, TX

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January 15 & 16: *Lonesome Dove* 2-Night Special Screening at the Cliftex | \$20 per person

January 20: Opening Gala with Bill Wittliff, Photographer & Screenwriter

more details inside or online at bosquemuseum.org/lonesomedove

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The Bosque Museum is dedicated to protect and preserve Bosque County's historic and prehistoric resources for the use, education, enjoyment and economic benefit of present and future Bosque County Citizens.

DIRECTOR'S REMARKS

As I look through the rear-view mirror at 2017, I am both relieved and extremely proud of our collective accomplishments. I hope you are also proud.

Every cultural institution enjoys a loyal core of dedicated supporters who believe in its mission. The Bosque Museum membership is no exception. Your consistent support challenges us to provide exhibits and programs that will justify your pride and dedication.

Your financial contributions for membership, annual gifts, program sponsorships, memorials and our endowment fund strengthen every aspect of the Museum's cultural endeavors. You enable us to take advantage of opportunities and carry forth the vision of our forefathers, with the mission to protect and preserve our resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

I am truly thankful for your support of the Bosque Museum and hope you will consider introducing the museum to your family and friends. I look forward to your visits in 2018!

Barbara Aars, Executive Director

THE MILDRED HOGSTEL COLLECTION

The Hogstel family of Bosque County recently gave a collection of more than 100 books and numerous archives to the Cleng Peerson Research Library of the Bosque Museum.

Among this collection are books about Norwegian immigration, biographies of Norwegian leaders, Bosque County Norwegian-English dictionaries and grammars, Norwegian history and travel, and family genealogical histories of Canuteson, Brown, Hogstel, Bergstrom, Bronstad, Rogstad, Lindsey, Nelson, Hogevoll, and Dahl-Holen-Billert.

Dr. Hogstel was intensely interested in her Norwegian roots, and as a result, she collected and maintained numerous books and archives of the family history.

ONLINE RESEARCH COMING SOON

We receive many requests for photographs and documents in the museum archive collections which take significant time to access. The process will be enhanced with an online research database soon to be available on our website. Our staff has been building the database that, once published, will make it easier for genealogists, historians, and researchers to view museum collection items. The initial collections available for online research will include:

- Jacob Olson Collection
- Clifton College Collection
- Gurine Nilsen Collection
- Family History Collections

Contact tejal@bosquemuseum.org FMI or if you have interest in seeing a particular collection online.

LONESOME DOVE: EXHIBITION

JANUARY 23 - MARCH 3

The Bosque Museum will host the Lonesome Dove Photo Exhibition made available by Humanites Texas. The photo collection was hand picked by the photographer, Bill Wittliff, who also wrote the screenplay for the film *Lonesome Dove*. Photos were taken during the filming of the movie. The exhibition is available to the public during normal museum hours starting January 23 - March 3.

ABOUT BILL WITTLIFF

William D. Wittliff is a celebrated photographer, screenplay writer, and University of Texas graduate who wrote screenplays for many well-liked movies such as *Barbarosa* (1982), *Legends of the Fall* (1994) and *Lonesome Dove* (1989). He has won awards for both photography and several of his screenplays. Wittliff is Texan born and bred, and his works show his passion for the state in which he was raised with a major focus on "the cowboy days."

MOVIE SCREENING AT THE CLIFTEX

To commemorate the exhibition, the museum Board of Trustees have

arranged for the screening of the film at the Cliftext Theater in downtown Clifton on **Monday, January 15 & Tuesday, January 16 at 6PM**. Tickets are \$20 each and includes admission to both nights. Seating is limited; please order your tickets soon. You will be mailed tickets to present for admission. Tickets are available at bosquemuseum.org/lonesomedove.

SPECIAL OPENING GALA WITH BILL WITTLIFF

A special Opening Gala will be held at the museum on **Saturday, January 20th**. Mr. & Mrs. Bill Wittliff will be in attendance. A cocktail buffet will enhance the evening. Reservations are required and are available at bosquemuseum.org/lonesomedove.

1 Person - \$100 2 People - \$175

3 People - \$275 4 People - \$350

SPECIAL TRAVELING EXHIBITION

Admission to the exhibit is \$5 for Museum Members and \$10 for General Admission. Please email tejal@bosquemuseum.org to check your 2018 membership status.



Photo Caption:
Carolyn Flanagan (bottom, left), *long-time member of the education committee and Docent, enjoyed visiting with Clifton Elementary students who came by for a field trip on December 15th*. Also Pictured: *Neal McDowell, volunteer.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 15 & 16

Lonesome Dove Special Screening at the CLIFTEX
6PM | \$20 PER PERSON

JANUARY 20

Lonesome Dove Opening Gala
6PM

1 Person Reservation - \$100
 2 Person Reservation - \$175
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 4 Person Reservation - \$350

JANUARY 2018

Traveling Photo Exhibit:
Jan 23 - March 3
Lonesome Dove

Tickets & Reservations Online
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2018

FREE FIRST SATURDAYS

Free Admission to the permanent exhibitions of the Bosque Museum (excludes special exhibitions)

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FEBRUARY 3

MARCH, 3

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AUGUST 4

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DECEMBER 1