

**“Darwin’s rEvolution”**  
at the  
Museum of Natural History & Science  
Cincinnati Museum Center

This temporary exhibit (April 2009 – February 2010) at Cincinnati Museum Center’s Museum of Natural History & Science is designed to introduce visitors to the man that changed the way biologists view the natural world and the history of life on Earth.

Visitors will be introduced to Charles Darwin and his family through authentic documents and photographs (from the Gene Kritsky collection). Cincinnati connections to Darwin will also be highlighted, including Darwin’s speculation regarding Cincinnati geology and cicadas.

The exhibit will also explore how Darwin changed our view of the world, how evolution impacts our everyday lives, and how we view Darwin as a modern pop culture icon. In addition, the basic tenets of Darwin’s evolution through natural selection will be presented with relevant Museum Center specimens allowing visitors to gain the understanding they need to appreciate “this view of life.”

These questions will also be explored in “**Darwin’s rEvolution**.”

- How has science elaborated upon or changed Darwin’s views after 150 years?
- Does the proven predictive power of his ideas confirm his theory?
- What do the concepts of genetics, unknown to Darwin at the time of *On The Origin of Species*, have to add to our current understanding?

The exhibit (~1,500 square feet), will be located in Cincinnati Museum Center’s Museum of Natural History & Science. Evolutionary principles will be further highlighted throughout the Museum with the addition of “*E spots*” focusing on permanent Museum exhibits and providing the opportunity for their examination in the context of “**Darwin’s rEvolution**.”

Topics of discussion include biodiversity, adaptation, comparative anatomy, homology, convergent evolution and extinction.

