

The Bandera PROPHEET

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Social distance with the dinosaurs at the Bandera Natural History Museum

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Venture to the Bandera Natural History Museum for some safe holiday fun while learning about dinosaurs and other animals.

On Wednesday, Dec. 23, Dinosaur George returns! Catch one of his two shows at 1:30 p.m. or 3 p.m.

Guests are invited to bring lawn chairs for the events, which are included with the regular admission fees. Adults are \$10 each, children ages 12 - 4 are \$6. Museum members, active military and children ages 3 and under are free.

While on the grounds, spend some time with 16 life-size reproductions of dinosaurs and ice age animals and four educational play stations, made by the same company that made the Jurassic Park reproductions. In the International Hall, six dioramas were painted by university trained artists from Mexico City.

The museum collection includes full body animal mounts and numerous unique art pieces such as a collection of ceremonial masks from Latin America; a 2,000-pound jade tiger from Taiwan; a 50-foot Bas Relief wall mural depicting 500 million years of life from the Precambrian period to the present; an Italian bronze casting and a collection of Isaac Carrasco wood carvings; a Sensory Safari Program for sight challenged groups; a life-size replica of a flying Quetzalcoatlus with a 36-foot wingspan; and a 50,000-year-old mammoth femur bone.

The Bandera Natural History Museum is at 267 Old San Antonio Hwy. For more information, go to www.banderanhm.org or call 830-328-5090.