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University of Iowa 1989-90 Museum Programs

The University of Iowa's Museum of Natural History is offering three series of programs for students and teachers. "An Afternoon with a Scientist," "Field Trips" and "Animal Tales: Stories for Children" are ongoing programs that are open to the public.

Brian Witzke, a research geologist for the Geological Survey, will speak January 14 on "The Success of the Dinosaurs." Additional

sessions are listed in the Science Calendar.

Reservations and a fee are required to participate in the field trip sessions. Sessions are planned for March, April and June with one date in August to be announced (see the *Science Calendar* in this and future issues for exact dates).

The "Animal Tales" series is led by Deanne Wortman and Tom Nothnagle. Dates for this series include December 28 (Bird Hall), January 22 (Mammal Hall) and April 5 (Bird Hall). Each session meets

at 2:30 p.m. in the Museum of Natural History.

For more information about the University of Iowa's 1989-90 Museum Programs, contact Karole Fuller, Program Coordinator, Museum of Natural History, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242, ph. (319) 335-0482.

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Outback Opportunity: Australia Bound

Duane Toomsen of the Iowa Department of Education will be leading a tour group to Australia during the summer of 1990. Participants will have the opportunity to visit Sydney, the Australian Capitol Territory and Canberra, the Snowy Mountains of New South Wales and Victoria, Darwin and Kakadu National Park, tropical rainforests, the Great Barrier Reef and many other areas of interest.

The tour departs June 29, 1990, and will return August 12. Estimated cost is \$4,500 (including air transportation, most surface transportation and most food and lodging). Contact Duane Toomsen, Department of Education, Grimes State Office Building, Des Moines,

IA 50319, ph. (515) 281-3146.