



The Accidental Mummies of Guanajuato Exhibition Overview

They were miners, fathers, soldiers, farmers and children. They are revered by their descendents and have been visited by millions. They are rare, shocking...and completely accidental. Now, for the first time ever, they are coming to the United States in an all-new touring exhibition, *The Accidental Mummies of Guanajuato*.

The Accidental Mummies of Guanajuato is a 10,000 square-foot exhibition that will tour six North American destinations from 2010-2012. Featuring 36 accidental mummies who have never been seen outside of Mexico, the exhibit combines science, history and cultural anthropology to immerse the visitor in the world of a Mexican city over 100 years ago where deceased residents naturally mummified in their crypts.

Only 1 in 100 bodies buried in Guanajuato experiences this rare and mysterious process of natural mummification. Visitors will meet these accidental mummies, learn about life in their thriving community, discover the modern-day forensic technology that helps scientists analyze them, and explore a culture that reveres and celebrates them.

These are some of the extraordinary experiences that await you as you meet *The Accidental Mummies of Guanajuato*.



The Accidental Mummies of Guanajuato is a unique exhibition that provides a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see these amazing mummies in the United States. The three-year tour will begin at the Detroit Science Center in October 2009 and travel to other major museums throughout the United States from 2010-2012.

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