



Castlegar Sculpturewalk, in partnership with the John Bonnett Wexo Foundation, is excited to present a special purchase opportunity: ***Discover Our Wild World***, a limited-edition series of magnificent bronze sculptures depicting the most fascinating life forms our planet has ever seen, beautifully rendered by the late artist, author, and renowned wildlife educator John Bonnett Wexo.



An impressive six-foot tall, *Discover Our Wild World* can be installed indoors or outdoors. Rendered in amazingly realistic detail, the sculpture offers a stimulating tactile sensation for the hands, and an educationally informative experience for the mind.

Each animal is depicted in stunningly accurate relief, with the individual panels of animals linked together in geologic time to provide a glimpse into the vast scope of evolutionary development on Earth. Remarkably suited for our times, bronze is antimicrobial and is increasingly being used in hospitals and other settings.



Most images children see these days are two-dimensional – video screens, monitors, etc. There is little opportunity to feel and touch. In the best-selling *Zoobooks*, the author John Bonnett Wexo's images were so compelling the children wanted to reach out and touch the wild animals, but they could never be more than two-dimensional.

He decided the only way to give children a real understanding of the shapes and textures of wild animals was to go beyond two dimensions - with *Discover Our Wild World* the result.



As we all know, children love animals – there is something about them that simply makes them happy. This sculpture presents them with more than sixty incredibly beautiful wild animals that they can explore to their hearts content, with their eyes and most importantly, with their hands. For children, the sense of touch is a magical way to learn because it brings them into direct contact with the world. Through their fingers, they can literally feel the world and connect with it.

All the animals on the sculpture are scientifically accurate and made to be touched – sculpted in high relief, with a marvelous attention to shape and details that raises them off the surface and seems to bring them to actual life. Little hands are drawn to them like magic.





The 'screen' portion of the sculpture currently holds a stunning image of planet earth, with the linear map below. Should the purchaser wish, they could install a custom-screen (moving video, touch screen, etc.) in either of these sections, or install their own custom image/logo/map, information listing, etc. Ideal for a zoo or wildlife park, these sculptures can be placed throughout the landscape to offer customized, changeable information (accessible through the back of the sculpture).

Medium: Bronze

Dimensions: 6' x 29" x 32"

Weight: 800 lbs

of Editions: 27

Sales Price Per Unit: \$48,500 (multiple-purchase discount available; payment plans available)



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Castlegar Sculpturewalk is an annual exhibition of outdoor public sculpture located in Castlegar, BC, the Sculpture Capital of Canada™. Featuring 29 sculptures from international artists in our 2022 program, and over seventy sculptures throughout the city, Castlegar Sculpturewalk is the #1 rated, and most reviewed, local attraction on TripAdvisor™. Partner municipalities include Nelson, Rossland, Creston, Penticton, Nakusp and Kaslo. Castlegar Sculpturewalk is a registered charitable non-profit. <http://www.castlegarsculpturewalk.com>