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MUSEUM *of*
**NATURAL
HISTORY**

Mammals Hall
Pre-Visit Story
Morning at the Museum



Mammals Hall



- When I am at the National Museum of Natural History I can visit the Mammals Hall.
- The Mammals Hall tells the story of many different mammals.
- Mammals are a type of animal.

Things I Will See



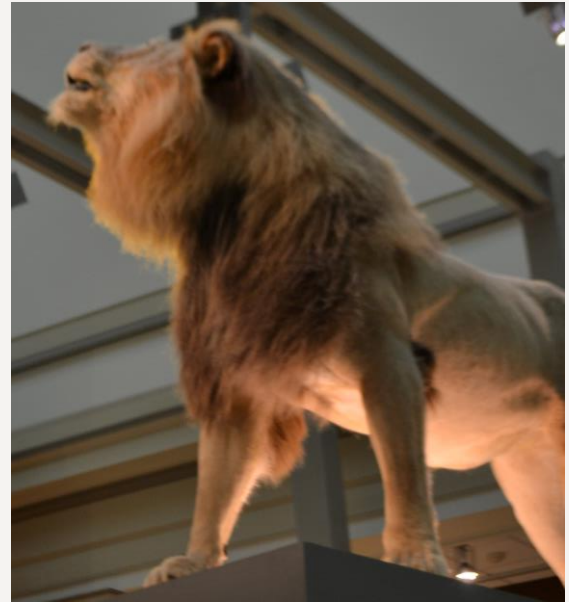
- I will see big and small mammals.
- There are mammals up high and mammals that are down low.

Things I Might See



- There are pictures on the floor that might flash.
- There are movies on the wall that might look like a rainstorm.
- I can keep walking if I find them scary.

Things I May Hear



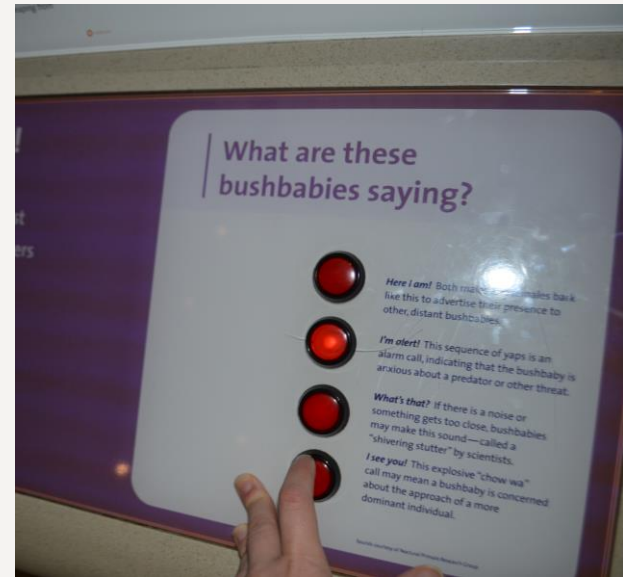
- I might hear thunderstorm sounds and animal noises.
- The noise could be loud or it could be quiet.
- I can stop and listen or I can keep walking.
- I will let my adult know if I need to take a break.

Things I May Hear



- There is a movie theater with sounds at the end of the Mammals Hall.
- I can stay to watch the movie.
- I can keep walking if I do not want to watch the movie.

Things I Can Touch



- There will be objects I can feel to learn more about mammals.
- There will be buttons I can press to show me things about mammals or to hear mammals noises.

Mounted Animals

- I will see many mounted animals in the Mammals Hall.
- Mounted mammals are not alive anymore.
- They do not eat, breathe, sleep or grow.
- If I find parts of the exhibit scary, I do not have to look at them.



Mounted Animals



- A person made the mounted animal.
- They stretched the animal's skin over a form of wood and wire.
- Mounted animals are used for research and study.

Statues

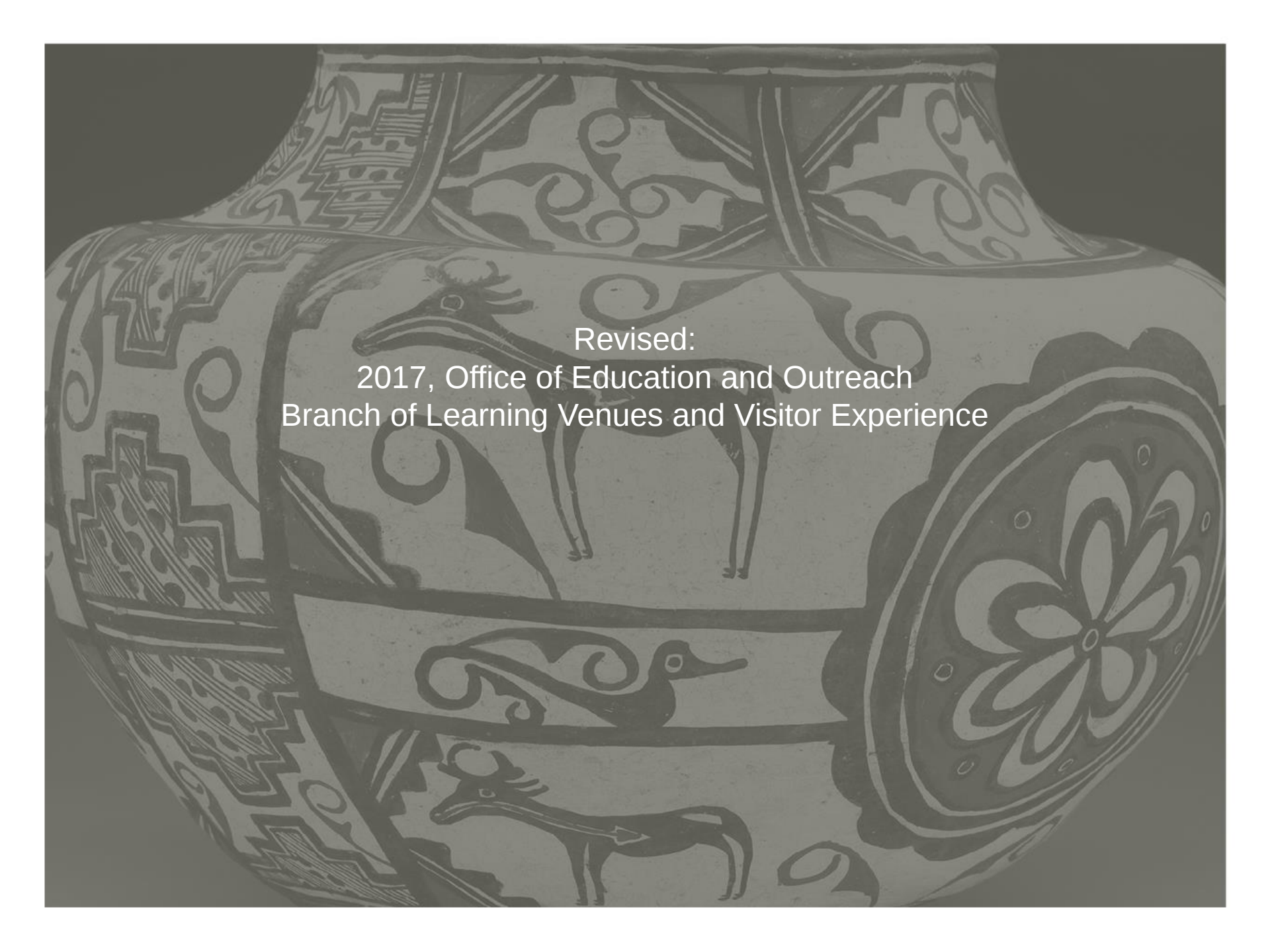


- There are metal statues in the Mammals Hall that I might see.
- Statues are sculptures that represent people or animals.
- This is Harriet, she is a statue of a chimpanzee.
- I can touch the statues that are in Mammals Hall.

Exiting the Exhibit



- At the exit of Mammals Hall, there is the Human Origins Exhibit.
- If I do not want to go to the Human Origins Exhibit, I can walk through the Mammals Hall back to the Rotunda.



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