



Dinosaur Scientist to Speak April 28

A noted expert on dinosaurs and a frequent consultant to Disney animation films will be the featured speaker at a California State University Channel Islands presentation to be held at 4 p.m., Thursday, April 28, in the Science Auditorium.

Stuart Sumida, Ph.D., professor of biology, California State University San Bernardino, will make a presentation titled "From Biology and Dinosaurs to Digital Special Effects - Why You Need the Old Dog to Do New Tricks."

The speaker, who is a comparative anatomist and paleontologist who specializes in the biomechanics and evolution of locomotion, has been an anatomical consultant to special effect artists and animators at Walt Disney Feature Animation, DreamWorks, Warner Brothers, and many other similar media. He has worked on the animation and special effects on such movies as Beauty and the Beast, the Lion King, Mulan, George of the Jungle, Harry Potter, Shrek II, and many others.

The event is free and open to the public. Follow event signs to parking.

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