



DISCOVERY

Center of Idaho

Exquisite Creatures Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What are the dates this temporary exhibition will be open?

A. *Exquisite Creatures will be at the Discovery Center of Idaho from September 20th, 2021 to February 20th, 2022.*

Q. How much does it cost to attend the exhibition?

A. *Admission is FREE for members. For non-members, admission is \$18 for adults ages 18+, \$17 for seniors ages 65+, \$12 for youth ages 2-17, FREE for children under age 2. \$1 discounts for active military and veterans.*

Q. Where can I purchase tickets to the exhibition?

A. *Tickets for Exquisite Creatures may be purchased ahead of time online at dcidaho.org.*

Q. What are the hours of operation?

A. *The Discovery Center is open 10am to 4:30pm Monday-Saturday and 12pm to 4:30pm on Sundays.*

Q. How long does it take to see the exhibition?

A. *Individual visit times will vary, but most guests can anticipate spending 60-90 minutes to view Exquisite Creatures and the rest of the Center.*

Q. Is photography permitted in the exhibition?

A. *Absolutely! We highly encourage our guests to take photos of the amazing artwork so they can share with their friends and family (don't forget to tag us: [@dcidaho](https://twitter.com/dcidaho) / [#dcidaho](https://twitter.com/dcidaho)). We just ask that guests don't use the flash so as not to distract from the exhibit experience and respect others' privacy. Videography, selfie sticks, tripods, monopods, food and drink are not permitted inside the exhibit.*

Q. Are food and drink permitted in the exhibition?

A. *Food or drink are not permitted in Exquisite Creatures.*

Q. How does Christopher Marley collect the animal specimens?

A. *All vertebrates used in Exquisite Creatures are reclaimed. When organisms die in the care of individuals or institutions (aquariums, quarantine facilities, importers, breeders) they can either be disposed of or they can be preserved and incorporated into lasting tributes to their masterful design. Occasionally, fishing vessel bycatch is a reclamation source. These are specimens that*

are unintentionally caught, usually by trawlers, and then are either discarded or sold to fish markets.

Q. How does Christopher Marley collect the insect specimens?

A. The insects in the exhibit are sustainably collected. Responsible insect collecting doesn't have any measurably negative effect on insect populations, and it offers an alternative to ranching or farming for often impoverished people with few options for sustenance other than working the land. When people are able to make their living from a healthy forest, the pressure to develop that land is reversed and those who might have joined an industry that is destructive to habitat become champions of its preservation.

Q. Does insect collection pose a risk to insect populations?

A. Habitat contamination, development and host plant decimation pose the greatest human threats to insects. Insect collecting helps offer native people an incentive to preserve local habitats by helping them to make their living through the collection of a renewable, sustainable forest resource.