

Chicago Wilderness is a regional nature reserve that includes more than 225,000 acres of protected natural areas. It stretches from southeastern Wisconsin, through northeastern Illinois and into northwestern Indiana. The protected lands and waters of Chicago Wilderness include county preserves, state parks, federal preserves and privately owned areas. There are also many unprotected natural areas within Chicago Wilderness.

The Chicago Wilderness consortium is an alliance of more than 190 organizations working to study, restore, protect and manage the natural ecosystems of the Chicago region in order to contribute to the conservation of global biodiversity and enrich local residents' quality of life.

A Regional Nature Reserve

CHICAGO WILDERNESS



Chicago Wilderness

cordially invites you to a
10th anniversary celebration
in honor of a decade of
cooperative conservation.

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS



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OF COOPERATIVE CONSERVATION

The Field Museum invites our guests to tour its new exhibit - Evolving Planet

What did the world look like through the eyes of a 500-million-year-old trilobite? What could you see, hear, and smell in the swampy forest that was Chicago - 300 million years ago? How would it feel to touch the face of our early human cousins?

Evolving Planet takes visitors on an awe-inspiring journey through four billion years of life on Earth, from single-celled organisms to towering dinosaurs and our extended human family. Unique fossils, animated videos, hands-on interactive displays, and recreated sea- and landscapes help tell the compelling story of evolution - the single process that connects everything that's ever lived on Earth.

The exhibit concludes with a powerful conservation message that underscores the importance of initiatives like Chicago Wilderness in preserving and protecting the magnificent biodiversity of this evolving planet.

Remarks by Special Guest, Rutherford H. Platt

Rutherford H. Platt is a professor of geography and planning law in the Department of Geosciences and also a faculty associate of the Center for Public Policy and Administration at the University of Massachusetts. He holds a B.A. in political science from Yale and both a J.D. and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He specializes in public policy concerning urban land and water resources and directs the Ecological Cities Project, a national program of research, teaching and outreach based at the University of Massachusetts.

Parking and Transportation

Parking is available in the Soldier Field North Garage for \$15.00, handicapped parking is available. Visitors with wheelchairs can be dropped off at the East Entrance. The Field Museum is easily accessible by Public Transportation. For more information on these and other routes, call the RTA Travel Information Center at (312) 836-7000, or visit the CTA or Metra web sites.

Wednesday, May 17, 2006

10th Anniversary Celebration Reception from 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm
The Field Museum, Stanley Field Hall, 1400 S. Lake Shore Dr, Chicago

Business Attire

Entertainment by: 5aftr5

During the reception, our guests can visit
The Field Museum's new exhibit, Evolving Planet.

Please RSVP using the reply card or contact Catherine Bendowitz at (312)580-2137
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