



Introducing *Fossils for Africa*

This book explores Africa's incredibly rich fossil heritage and shows the importance of these fossils in unraveling the history of life on Earth. Right here in Africa we have evidence of the earliest traces of life dating to about 3.8 billion years, when life on Earth was still single-celled and microbial. From these humble beginnings Africa's fossil record shows how life became increasingly complex and diversified into a wide array of forms. Dedicated chapters focus on the evolution of plants, insects, and the radiation of reptiles and mammals. The book draws to a close with the five mass extinction events that rocked Earth's biodiversity in the past and ponders the current crisis facing our planet's biodiversity.

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cordially invite you to attend the book launch of

Fossils for Africa

by Professor Anusuya Chinsamy-Turan

Date: Saturday, 11 October 2014

Time: 14:30 – 16:30

Venue: Iziko South African Museum,
25 Queen Victoria Street, Cape Town.

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Entry: Free with printed invitation only.

