Dear Prospective Exhibitor/Sponsor/Advertiser:

The Society of Vertebrate Paleontology would like to invite you to its 72nd Meeting in Raleigh, North Carolina, USA. Founded in 1940 with just 34 members, SVP now has more than 2,500 members and is one of the most prestigious vertebrate paleontology societies in the world. The 72nd Annual Meeting is an excellent forum for you to show your products and services before more than 1,200 attendees from all over the world.

Exhibiting at the SVP Annual Meeting brings your company international visibility and recognition. A majority of attendees are professional paleontologists – the decision-makers who use your product in the field, the office and the classroom. Students are another important audience at the SVP Annual Meeting. They are the future decision-makers and employees. An exhibit at this meeting will benefit your organization today, while building on your future success.

SVP’s exhibit hall is designed to accommodate high traffic and is located at the Raleigh Convention Center. Reserve your exhibit space now to ensure the best placement and the highest return on your marketing dollar.

We look forward to helping make SVP one of your very best show experiences.

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About the Membership
SVP members represent the breadth of the field including laboratory studies, field research, resource development, teaching, computer modeling, fossil preparation, science editing and writing. Your SVP exhibit will reach a broad cross section of those interested in vertebrate paleontology.

Professors
Exhibits or Museum Staff
Museum Administrators
Government
Laboratory Assistants
Graduate Students
Postdoctoral Students
Preparators
Geologists
Consultants
Researchers
Curators
Undergraduate Students
Collections Managers
Artists

Research and Interests
The Society serves the common interests of all people concerned with the evolution, comparative anatomy and classification of vertebrate animals including but not limited to:

- Evolution
- Systematics/phylogeny
- Morphology
- Functional anatomy
- Ecology/paleoecology
- Paleobiology
- Paleoenvironment
- Genetics/molecular biology
- Geology
- Extinction
- Paleoclimate
- Behavior
- Paleogeography
- Paleoanthropology
- Geochemistry
- Taphonomy

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Visit the SVP Web site, www.vertpaleo.org, for up-to-date conference information.
Exhibit Opportunities

Meeting and Exhibit Space
This year the exhibits will be held at the Raleigh Convention Center in the same exhibit hall as registration and the SVP Poster Presentations. This will greatly enhance your visibility to the attendees!

Exhibit Schedule
Tuesday, October 16         Exhibitor Set Up 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 17      Exhibits Open 9:30 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Thursday, October 18        Exhibits Open 9:30 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Friday, October 19          Exhibits Open 9:30 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Saturday, October 20        Exhibits Open 9:30 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.
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Exhibitor Fees
The exhibitor fee includes an 8’ x 8’ pipe and draped booth with one 6’ x 30” draped and skirted table and two chairs, one complimentary full registration with access to sessions and social functions, and one complimentary Exhibits Only badge. Additional Exhibits Only badges are available for purchase. Registration materials will be sent under separate cover.

SVP Member: $400 per table
SVP Nonmember: $500 per table
Additional Table: $275 per table

Assignment of Space
SVP headquarters will assign exhibit space on a first-come, first-served basis.

Exhibit Space
Due to space constraints your booth must be contained to the 8’ x 8’ area (or a larger area if you purchase multiple booths). DUE TO FIRE REGULATIONS VENDORS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLACE MATERIALS ON THE FLOOR IN FRONT OF THEIR DISPLAY OR AROUND THE PERIMETER. No exceptions will be allowed. Please plan accordingly.

Cancellation of Exhibit Space
Exhibit cancellations must be received in writing by Tuesday, August 14, 2012. SVP will charge a $100 cancellation fee for written cancellations received on or before Tuesday, August 14, 2012. Cancellations received after Tuesday, August 14, 2012 will not be refunded.

Hotel Accommodations and Travel
SVP has negotiated discounted rates with Raleigh Marriott City Center and the Clarion Raleigh State Capital. For more information please visit: http://www.vertpaleo.org/Travel_and_Lodging.htm

Advertising Opportunities
Maximize your exposure with an advertisement in the SVP 2012 Program and Abstract Book. Not only will your ad reach SVP 2012 attendees, the book will also be available on the SVP Web site to members and nonmembers around the world.

Advertisement Specifications
Your advertisement must arrive at SVP Headquarters with full payment no later than Wednesday, July 11, 2012. We prefer that you submit Camera-ready artwork, a press ready PDF, Adobe Illustrator file with all fonts converted to outlines, or Adobe InDesign file with all images and fonts included. If you need further specifications please contact Christine Meehan, SVP Conference and Exhibits Manager at, cmeehan@sherwood-group.com or +1-847-480-9095 x354.

Rate/Page Structure
Full-Page 7” x 9”  $500
Half-Page 7” x 4.5”  $350
Quarter Page 3.5” x 4.5”  $250

Send advertising materials and payment to:
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Conditions of Advertisement
- Advertisements are accepted upon representation that the advertiser has the right to publish the contents thereof. It is understood that the advertiser will indemnify and hold SVP harmless from or against any loss of expense arising out of publication of such advertisements, including, without limitation, those resulting from claims of suits of libel, plagiarism and copyright infringement.
- Advertising space is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Advertising space is reserved with a signed contract and payment only. Verbal contracts are not recognized. A confirmation will be sent to each vendor upon acceptance of the contract and approval of the advertisement.
- All advertisements are subject to SVP’s approval, and the SVP reserves the right to reject or cancel any advertising at any time for any reason deemed appropriate by the SVP.
- Placement will be publishers choice.

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Sponsorship Opportunities

*Gold Sponsor*
Contribution of $1,500 or more, benefits include:
- One complimentary Exhibit Booth
- One complimentary full-page advertisement in the electronically distributed SVP Program and Abstract of Papers
- Your company name will be highly profiled during the entire meeting.
- Your company name will be posted on a large sign near the registration desk.
- Your company name will be listed in the onsite registration packet information as a Gold Sponsor.
- Your company personnel who attend the meeting will have special Gold Sponsor ribbons.
- Special exhibit sign recognition on your exhibit table as a Gold Sponsor.

*Silver Sponsor*
Contribution of $1,000 to $1,499, benefits include:
- One complimentary half-page advertisement in the electronically distributed SVP Program and Abstract of Papers
- Your company name will be highly profiled during the entire meeting.
- Your company name will be posted on a large sign near the registration desk.
- Your company name will be listed in the onsite registration packet information as a Silver Sponsor.
- Your company personnel who attend the meeting will have special Silver Sponsor ribbons.
- If your company also has an exhibit table, you will receive special sign recognition at the table as a Silver Sponsor.

*Bronze Sponsor*
Contribution of $500 - $999, benefits include:
- Your company name will be posted on a large sign near the registration desk.
- Your company name will be listed on the onsite registration packet information as a Bronze Sponsor.

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**General Meeting Information**

The SVP Annual Meeting provides a forum for educational and scientific dialogue among its members. The occurrence, collection and preparation of fossil vertebrates and the geological age assessment of the beds in which fossils are found are among the themes discussed at the SVP Annual Meeting and covered in the *Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology*.

The SVP 72nd Annual Meeting will be held at the Raleigh Convention Center. The meeting consists of four days of concurrent symposia sessions, three poster session presentations and several networking events.

The auction will be held on Friday, October 19, 2012. Please consider making a donation of your product(s) and/or services to this very worthy cause. Visit the Annual Meeting section of the SVP Web site at: [http://www.vertpaleo.org](http://www.vertpaleo.org) for the official donation form.

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