# NORTH CAROLINA Museum of Natural Sciences

The Museum is located in downtown Raleigh, between the State Capitol and the Legislative Building, at 11 West Jones Street. The main entrance faces the Bicentennial Plaza pedestrian mall linking Jones and Edenton Streets.

#### **Directions**

**From the North or East:** Take the Capital Boulevard exit off I-440. Follow the Capital Boulevard (Downtown) designation. Continue south approximately two miles and turn left onto Jones Street. Go three blocks. The Museum is on the right.

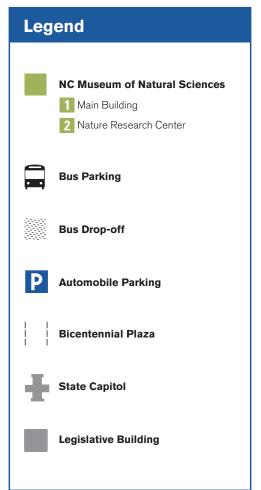
**From the West or South:** Off I-40 / I-440, take the S. Saunders Street exit (298-B). Proceed north for two miles (S. Saunders turns into McDowell Street). Turn right onto Jones Street. Go two blocks. The Museum is on the right.

For more information: visit naturalsciences.org/visitor-info

## **Parking**

**Automobiles:** Paid parking is available weekdays in several public parking decks and lots within walking distance of the Museum for a fee of \$2/hr. Cash, MasterCard and Visa are accepted. Limited metered parking is available along Jones and Edenton Streets. Parking is free after 5 pm on weekdays and all day on weekends.

**Buses:** Bus loading and unloading is available on Jones Street near the Museum entrance. Bus parking is available in the Blount/ Edenton Street lot. The entrance to the lot is on Blount Street. Overflow bus parking area is located next to the NC Museum of Art on Blue Ridge Road. Directions can be found on the second page of this document.







## **Overflow Bus Parking**

The overflow bus parking area is located next to the NC Museum of Art on Blue Ridge Rd.

Note: It is strongly recommended that group leaders have radio or telephone contact with their bus driver for pick up.

### From the passenger drop off area on Jones St.:

Continue on Jones St. one block to Blount St. and turn right.

Go one block to Edenton St. and turn right.

Follow Edenton St. which will merge with and become Hillsborough St.

Follow Hillsborough St. past NCSU campus, past Meredith College and under the Beltline (I-440) overpass.

The next intersection is Hillsborough St. and Blue Ridge Rd.

Turn right onto Blue Ridge Rd. (The State Fair Grounds are on the left after the turn.)

Follow Blue Ridge Rd. until you see the entrance to the NC Museum of Art on the right.

The parking lot is located before the main entrance into the Museum of Art, and is clearly marked with large white signs.

#### On the return trip:

Follow Hillsborough St. its entire length towards the capitol until the 200 block.

Make a left onto McDowell St. Get in the far right lane.

Turn right onto Jones St. and proceed 2.5 blocks to the Bus loading zone in front of the Museum.



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