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TEICHMANN IMAGES FEATURED AT ICE AGE MAMMALS EXHIBITION

WHITEHORSE – Well known artist George "Rinaldino" Teichmann will be in Ottawa this week, at the Canadian Museum of Nature, to celebrate the opening of the Ice Age Mammals Traveling Exhibition.

"George is renowned for his artistic renditions of Ice Age mammals such as the woolly mammoth, the short-faced bear and the scimitar cat," Community Services Minister Glenn Hart said, speaking on behalf of Tourism and Culture Minister Elaine Taylor. "His detailed paintings, many of them produced here in the Yukon, capture the true essence of an historic era, going back more than 20,000 years."

The Ice Age Mammals exhibit will be touring throughout major Canadian cities during the next few years and will be ending the latter part of 2008 or early 2009 in the Yukon. At that time, Yukoners will have the opportunity to view this impressive exhibit that showcases Canada's unique ice age history.

A large part of the national exhibit will feature the Yukon and its ice age history, which includes Teichmann's artwork images and the Beringia Centre's pollen casts developed for its Climate Change exhibit two years ago. Educational units and research notes will be available through a link currently being developed by the Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre.

"It is indeed a testament to the professional standing of Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre to be a partner in this educational initiative showcasing the Ice Age," Hart said. "The Government of Yukon congratulates George on featuring his work in the exhibit and wishes event organizers across Canada every success."

The bilingual 2,000 square foot Ice Age Mammals Traveling Exhibit is produced by the Canadian Museum of Nature in partnership with the Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre, the Montreal Science Centre and the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology in Alberta.

More information about the exhibit is available online through the Canadian Museum of Nature: <u>www.nature.ca/exhibits/iamamm_e.cfm</u>.

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