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Around the Country

Marine Life Up Close

On Saturday, November 21, 2015, the new Marine Life exhibition in the Putnam Family Gallery opened at the Harvard Museum of Natural History. The centerpiece of the new exhibition—a floor to ceiling re-creation of life in New England’s coastal waters—immerses visitors in the astounding diversity and dynamic interplay among animals in marine communities just off local shores. As models of glowing jellyfish, a giant sea turtle, and other sea animals appear to swim above their heads, museum visitors will learn about new research and explore displays of real fishes, mollusks, crustaceans, corals, and other marine organisms selected from the world-renowned collections of Harvard’s Museum of Comparative Zoology. A special interactive display introduces visitors of all ages to the amazing world of jellyfish, and the ocean exploration theater takes viewers on a multimedia journey of discovery into the surface and deep oceans of the world, guided by Harvard biologists.

The amazing realistic dioramas were created by Terry Chase of the Chase Studio in Missouri. Long considered the leader in the field of museum exhibits, Chase Studio has designed and built thousands of natural history exhibits for over 250 museums and nature centers.

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