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BODY WORLDS 2's Final Farewell to Los Angeles

Science Center Opens Around The Clock, 62 Hours During Entire Final Weekend!

LOS ANGELES— *BODY WORLDS 2: The Anatomical Exhibition of Real Human Bodies* will be open around the clock for the final weekend. Extended hours have been put in place in order to accommodate crowds of visitors wishing to see the exhibit before it leaves Los Angeles. The 62-hour marathon begins Friday, March 25 at 10:00 a.m. and will continue until midnight on Sunday, March 27, when the exhibit will close.

The last, first and only other time the California Science Center ever remained open around the clock was for 41 hours at the closing of the original *BODY WORLDS* exhibit this past January. During that weekend alone over 45,000 visitors came to the exhibit. "It has been extremely gratifying to see that so many people appreciate the opportunity this exhibit offers to learn more about the complexity of our bodies. With these extended hours we want to make every effort to ensure that everyone who is planning to see it will have a chance to get in," remarked Science Center President and CEO Jeffrey Rudolph.

To ease congestion and allow a better viewing of *BODY WORLDS 2*, organizers recommend visitors take advantage of the late to early morning hours. Another suggestion is to purchase timed tickets available over the Internet to avoid likely long ticket lines. To facilitate easy access, more tickets will be available over the Internet than on site. Most IMAX shows are selling out for the weekend and to accommodate the demand, additional showings of *The Human Body* IMAX film have been added to the schedule. Please visit www.californiasciencecenter.org for more info.

Creator of *BODY WORLDS 2* and inventor of Plastination, Dr. Gunther von Hagens noted, "I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the California Science Center and the Los Angeles visitors which have made the American debut of *BODY WORLDS* and *BODY WORLDS 2* such a success. It was my great pleasure to bring these exhibits, which I created for the democratization of anatomy, to the United States."

For the final week of *BODY WORLDS 2* the opening hours are as follows:

Monday – Thursday:	10 a.m. - 9 p.m. (last admission at 8 p.m.)
Friday, March 25:	10 a.m. - OPEN ALL NIGHT
Saturday, March 26:	OPEN ALL DAY AND NIGHT
Sunday, March 27:	OPEN - 12:01 a.m. (last admission 10:30 pm)

BODY WORLDS 2 at the California Science Center will close its doors at midnight on March 27 and move to the Great Lakes Science Center in Cleveland, OH where it will open April 9 through September 5, 2005.

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