

Sponsorship Application 2010

(Membership for the period from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010)

Society of Vertebrate Paleontology

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This application is for a current SVP member who would like to pay the membership fee of another SVP member.

PLEASE NOTE: the applicant must sign the SVP Ethics Statement included in this application form.

Sponsor, please complete the following:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address & Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____

I would like to sponsor the following individual for membership in SVP:

Title: Dr. _____ Mr. _____ Mrs. _____ Ms. _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Country: _____ Phone #: _____ Fax #: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Male Female

Degrees with Dates & Schools: _____

➤ In what kind of institution does the proposed member work?

University or College Museum None (Student/retired) Other

➤ In that institution, what is his/her occupation? _____

➤ How long has he/she been associated with the institution?

One year or less 2-5 years 6-10 years 11-20 years
 More than 20 years

➤ How many SVP Annual Meetings has he/she attended?

None One meeting 2-5 meetings 6-10 meetings
 11-20 meetings More than 20 meetings

➤ What are his/her areas of interest in vertebrate paleontology? (Taxonomy, Biogeography, Biostratigraphy, Functional Morphology, etc.)

Please specify groups, areas and geologic time periods when relevant

➤ Does he/she hold membership in any other professional societies? If yes, please list all below.

Advisor Signature

If a Student applicant, include advisor's name and signature below. All student applicants must also submit a photocopy of a valid university or college identification card

Advisor: _____

Advisor Signature: _____

Membership Options

- ▶ **Regular Members (Paper and Electronic Subscription)** receive a paper subscription to *The Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology*; have voting rights and have access to the online *SVP News Bulletin* and the SVP Members' Only Area of the SVP Web site.
- ▶ **Regular Members (Electronic Only Subscription)** have access to the online *SVP News Bulletin*, *The Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology* and to the Members' Only Area of the SVP Web site. They also have voting rights.
- ▶ **Student Members (Paper and Electronic Subscription)** receive a paper subscription to *The Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology*; have voting rights and have access to the online *SVP News Bulletin* and the SVP Members Only Area of the SVP Web site. Student Members must include a copy of a valid university or college identification card as well as an advisor's and/or authorized academic official's signature for approval of membership.
- ▶ **Student Members (Electronic Only Subscription)** have access to the online *SVP News Bulletin*, *The Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology* and to the Members' Only Area of the SVP Web site. They also have voting rights. Student Members must include a copy of a valid university or college identification card as well as an advisor's and/or authorized academic official's signature for approval of membership.

NOTE: All above member types have electronic access to the *Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology* through of the SVP Web site.

Please check the appropriate category below

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular – Electronic and Paper Subscription \$130.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular – Electronic Only Subscription \$115.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student – Electronic and Paper Subscription \$60.00** | <input type="checkbox"/> Student – Electronic Only Subscription \$50.00** |

***(photocopy of a valid Student ID card & Advisor Signature is required for student membership)*

YOU MUST REMIT PAYMENT AT THIS TIME

Payment Method:

NOTE: Payments made by wire transfer are subject to a \$30 fee for wire transfers from U.S. banks and a \$45 fee for wire transfers from banks outside the U.S.

- Check (Number _____) Money Order MasterCard Visa American Express

CARD #: _____ EXP. DATE _____

SIGNATURE: _____

(I hereby authorize The Society of Vertebrate Paleontology to charge my credit card the amount indicated by the member type above.)
Provide the credit card billing address if different than above:

Billing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Country: _____

Signature of Sponsored Member

Upon approval of my membership to the SVP, I agree to abide by the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology's Ethics Statement provided below. I also agree to hold harmless and indemnify the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology from any claim or cost incurred in connection with this (if applicable) application or membership in the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology, including procedural or ethics complaints and proceedings and results. NOTE: The application will NOT be processed without a signature of agreement to the 'hold harmless clause' above and the By-Law on Ethics below.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

The Society of Vertebrate Paleontology By-Law on Ethics

“Article 12. Statement of Ethics.

Several goals for the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology follow from its mission statement (Constitution Article 1): to discover, conserve, and protect vertebrate fossils and to foster the scientific, educational, and personal appreciation and understanding of them by amateur, student and professional paleontologists, as well as the general public. Fossil vertebrates are usually unique or rare, nonrenewable scientific and educational resources that, along with their accompanying contextual data, constitute part of our natural heritage. They provide data by which the history of vertebrate life on earth may be reconstructed and are one of the primary means of studying evolutionary patterns and processes as well as environmental change.

- It is the responsibility of vertebrate paleontologists to strive to ensure that vertebrate fossils are collected in a professional manner, which includes the detailed recording of pertinent contextual data (e.g. geographic, stratigraphic, sedimentologic, taphonomic).
- It is the responsibility of vertebrate paleontologists to assist government agencies in the development of management policies and regulations pertinent to the collection of vertebrate fossils, and to comply with those policies and regulations during and after collection. Necessary permits on all lands administered by federal, state, and local governments, whether domestic or foreign, must be obtained from the appropriate agency(ies) before fossil vertebrates are collected. Collecting fossils on private lands must only be done with the landowner's consent.
- Fossil vertebrate specimens should be prepared by, or under the supervision of, trained personnel.
- Scientifically significant fossil vertebrate specimens, along with ancillary data, should be curated and accessioned in the collections of repositories charged in perpetuity with conserving fossil vertebrates for scientific study and education (e.g. accredited museums, universities, colleges, and other educational institutions).
- Information about vertebrate fossils and their accompanying data should be disseminated expeditiously to both scientific community and interested general public.
- The barter, sale, or purchase of scientifically significant vertebrate fossils is not condoned unless it brings them into, or keeps them within, a public trust. Any other trade or commerce in scientifically significant vertebrate fossils is inconsistent with the foregoing, in that it deprives both the public and professionals of important specimens, which are part of our natural heritage.”