

Sean, Age 6, Mitochondrial Disease

"I wish to dig for dinosaurs with Dr. Scott, the paleontologist!"

For any parent of young children, you may recognize the name "Dr. Scott". He is the paleontologist featured in the hit animated kids series *Dinosaur Train*.

Dr. Scott Sampson appeared in each episode to explain some of the paleontological terms that kids were hearing in the show. Through his work, Dr. Scott became as much a fan favourite as the loveable animated characters in the show.

Dr. Sampson has recently relocated to British Columbia to take the helm at the Telus World of Science at Science World, in Vancouver. So, when young Sean from North Carolina made a wish to meet Dr. Scott, there was only one place to send him.



This is an example of what we call a "wish assist" - where a wish child from another part of the world comes to our region to have their wish granted.

Sean and Dr. Scott had one-on-one time together as they explored some fossils, dug for dinosaur bones (which were loaned to Telus World of Science JUST for this wish!), as well as met some living dinosaur relatives... chickens!! Our wish grantor, Claudio, reported "Sean was vibrating" with excitement.



We want to thank everyone who took part in this special wish which would not be possible without the generous support of Dr. Scott Sampson and the whole team at Telus World of Science.

