

# OLD RED MUSEUM



OF DALLAS COUNTY HISTORY & CULTURE

**FREE Program at the Old Red Museum on Thursday, April 24 at 5 pm**

**Renowned geologist Dr. Robert J. Stern discusses the geological reasons behind “Why is Dallas Here?”**

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**Dallas, TX** – On Thursday, April 24, 2008, the Old Red Museum of Dallas County History and Culture will host a free talk entitled “Why is Dallas Here?” at 5:00pm. The Museum will also offer free admission to the Museum galleries starting at 4:00pm and continuing after the talk until 7:00pm. Dr. Robert J. Stern, Professor of Geology at the University of Texas at Dallas, will speak on five of the subtle and natural geological advantages behind the founding of Dallas. Historians have hailed John Neely Bryan and other early settlers for their aggressive determination to build a city. However, Dr. Stern suggests there are some inherent advantages to Dallas’ location that explain why this was a natural place for a city to develop. Discover why Dallas grew here and what unique qualities made this area the very best place for a city like Dallas to thrive. Dr. Stern has conducted geological research all over the world and is an expert in the field of plate tectonics.

The discussion will take place on the second floor of the Old Red Museum where the permanent exhibit galleries are housed. Guests will be admitted free to the Museum starting at 4pm; the program will begin at 5pm.

The Old Red Museum of Dallas County History and Culture is located in the West End of downtown Dallas at 100 South Houston Street in the beautifully restored Old Red Courthouse built in 1892. Dedicated to inspire and educate visitors about the rich and varied cultural, economic, political and social history of the Dallas County Area, the second floor of Old Red is filled with exhibits, 41-touch screen computers, an educational learning center and four mini theatres. There is also a temporary exhibit gallery located on the first floor. The Museum’s hours are Monday – Saturday, 9-5 p.m. and Noon – 5 p.m. on Sunday. General admission is \$8, children under sixteen are \$5 and seniors are \$6. For group reservations, corporate meetings/outings or weddings call 214-745-1100. For more information, please visit [www.oldred.org](http://www.oldred.org).

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