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“Science Guys” Garner Huge Attention for Evolution/Creation Debate

Bill Nye & Ken Ham tomorrow; live at 7 p.m. ET on www.debatelive.org

PETERSBURG, Ky., February 3, 2014—As Bill Nye “The Science Guy” of TV renown and Ken Ham founder of the Creation Museum prepare their cases in what has been dubbed “Scopes 2,” the February 4, 7 PM (ET) debate is drawing major international attention.



Ken Ham pictured by the Utahraptor exhibit inside the Creation Museum.

-- In addition to CNN correspondent Tom Foreman who will moderate the debate, over 70 credentialed media will be in attendance, such as ABC, NBC, Scientific American magazine, Sydney Morning Herald (Australia), Al Jazeera America, The New Yorker, etc. C-Span will air the debate on radio and TV on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. ET.

-- Over 10,000 churches, schools, colleges, and other groups have informed the museum through www.debatelive.org that they will be carrying the free live stream of the debate. (That is just the number of groups that have actually told the Creation Museum of their plans.) Liberty University in Virginia, which

conferred an honorary doctorate on Ham, will show a live stream of the debate at seven campus locations, including a 1,500-seat auditorium.

-- In addition to group leaders, the museum has heard from tens of thousands of individuals who have shared via www.debatelive.org that they will be watching. All told, more than one million people as a part of groups or as individuals have already informed the museum they will be viewing the debate. With the addition of people who have not contacted the museum about their intent to watch (it is not necessary to register to view the live stream), it is clear that *many more than one million people will be watching.*

-- People who purchased debate tickets when they went on sale online January 2 (tickets sold out in two minutes) represent 29 states and one country (Belize).

-- Immediately at the conclusion of the debate, Bill Nye and Ken Ham will walk inside the Creation Museum next door to be interviewed for the “Piers Morgan Live” program

on CNN for a 9:45 p.m. post-debate analysis. During the 10 p.m. hour and inside the museum, MSNBC TV will interview Mr. Nye by himself.

--On a special website, a live stream of the debate will have nationally certified ASL interpreters signing (also at no charge) at www.debateliveASL.org

--The museum website as well as the website of the parent ministry that runs the museum, Answers in Genesis, have seen an 80% increase in traffic, totaling about two million visits in January alone. Most of this jump is due to interest in the debate.

The agreed-upon topic for the debate at the Creation Museum's 900-seat Legacy Hall auditorium in Petersburg, Kentucky (near Cincinnati) is: "Is creation a viable model of origins in today's modern scientific era?"

Nye was the Emmy-winning host and producer of the popular "Bill Nye the Science Guy" PBS-TV program for children. Currently he is the executive director of the Planetary Society and is a frequent guest on TV and radio interview programs. Last year, Mr. Nye was interviewed on countless programs to comment on science issues like climate change and creation vs. evolution. Ham is a bestselling author, much-in-demand speaker, and president of Answers in Genesis.



Bill Nye



CNN's Tom Foreman will moderate the debate.

Museum officials have told reporters that they are willing to hold public debates with serious evolutionists holding credentials. Even though some mocking evolutionists have challenged AiG to debate, their requests are not considered. As a serious, nationally known advocate for his beliefs on science, Nye's opinions carry weight in society.

Information on this creation/evolution debate can be found at www.debatelive.org. The live stream is powered by Google+ Hangouts On Air, through YouTube. This live and unedited presentation is available in HD for large-screen viewing in schools, churches, or other public venues, at no cost.

The Creation Museum is an outreach of the Bible-defending organization of Answers in Genesis. For information on AiG, visit www.AnswersInGenesis.org.

Note to Editors: For more information about the debate, photos, or to request an interview with a Creation Museum spokesperson (all 70 media seats at the debate have been taken; standby seating being taken), please contact Melany Ethridge of A. Larry Ross Communications at 972.267.1111.

