

HUMAN BEINGS IN THE MUSEUM

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Film-Screening and Talk with Wolfram Höhne

Since its foundation one hundred years ago, countless animal specimens have been collected in the Natural History Museum in Jena (Phyletisches Museum). Some animals live in the museum, where they are admired by visitors and studied by researchers. Human remains are also part of the collection.

From a zoological perspective, humans are also part of the animal world, simultaneously making themselves the object of their own research. Through the unusual world of objects held in this Natural History Museum, the film explores this irritating ambiguity and observes the work of the museum. Often, the scientific approach to the objects reaches its limits and gives way to emotional moments. What relation to nature does the natural history museum teach us?