"Meet Homo naledi"



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Discovered and recovered in late 2013, studied in 2014, and announced in 2015, Homo naledi is the most recently found extinct member of our own genus. Characterized by an unprecedented combination of anatomical features, Homo naledi appears to have been well-adapted to both walking on the ground and climbing, and had both a relatively small brain yet also hands well-adapted to making tools. These tantalizing contrasts are as intriguing as how their remains were found: deep within a cave, all by themselves. In this talk, Dr. Zach Throckmorton discusses how researchers are studying Homo naledi, their functional anatomy, and the hypotheses about their lives (and deaths).





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