Palaeontology and archaeology are often treated as entirely distinct fields, however, the interactions and crossovers between them can provide us with insights into the perceptions of humans, both ancient and modern, concerning fossils and their protection.

Within this talk, Sally Hurst will discuss her work at the intersection of these two fields, delving into the inspiration for her research, known as the Found a Fossil project. This presentation will touch on fossil legislation in Australia, and draw comparisons with Alberta, discuss the value of First Nations knowledge of and connection to fossil sites, and provide a brief overview of her current fieldwork and research being undertaken in Dinosaur Provincial Park.