

BODIES

THE EXHIBITION



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Origins of the Specimens

- **BODIES...The Exhibition** has the highest respect for each of the displayed specimens. Some visitors may have religious concerns and disagree with aspects of the Exhibition. However, those who attend will observe that the Exhibition focuses on scientific education and that each specimen is treated with dignity and reverence.
- All of the specimens in the Exhibition were obtained by Premier Exhibitions through the Dalian Medical University plastination laboratories in the People's Republic of China. China has a large and highly skilled group of anatomists and dissectors, who are essential to properly preparing these specimens for exhibition and educational purposes.
- Legal documentation provided to Premier Exhibitions by Dalian Medical University states that only the bodies of people who are deceased from natural causes have been included in **BODIES...The Exhibition** and were acquired by Dalian Medical University by legal and ethical means.
- There is no evidence that any of the specimens in **BODIES...The Exhibition** are anything but unclaimed and unidentified bodies. It is standard practice throughout Asia and the United States for unclaimed and unidentified bodies to be used by medical schools for educational purposes. For example, in Allegheny County, Pa., more than 60 bodies go unclaimed annually and are either donated to medical schools, cremated or buried by third parties.
- Representatives of Premier Exhibitions have visited Dalian Medical University on several occasions to guarantee that the sourcing process is both legal and moral.
- Sworn affidavits, taken in the United States, have been provided declaring the legal and moral acquisition of the specimens within **BODIES...The Exhibition**. Affidavits have been provided by both Dr. Roy Glover, Chief Medical Advisor for **BODIES...The Exhibition**; and Dr. Hong Jin Sui, professor of anatomy and President of Dalian Medical University Plastination Co. LTD.
- The same affidavits state:
 - All of the persons whose bodies now comprise **BODIES...The Exhibition** died of natural diseases, none of which constitute a threat to public health.
 - None of the persons died by trauma or poison.
 - The persons whose bodies now comprise **BODIES...The Exhibition** all died not less than four years ago.
- When Premier Exhibitions ends **BODIES...The Exhibition**, all specimens will be returned to Dalian Medical University for cremation.

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