Ancient Colorado - Match the artwork to the title

This series of paintings, titled "Ancient Colorado," can be found at Colorado Convention Center. These evocative landscapes, which are based on geological and fossil evidence, show what Colorado has looked like over the last 300 million years. Artist Jan Vriesen and Denver Museum of Nature & Science paleontologist Kirk Johnson collaborated to produce these scenes from Colorado's distant past.

Wherever you are in Colorado, layers of rock—known as formations—that represent ancient environments lie beneath your feet. You can see the science behind these scenes by visiting Colorado parks, monuments and open spaces.



On the next page, you will find small photos of these paintings and a list of their titles, with some additional details like where in Colorado the scene took place and when.

Want to take a closer look at the art? Visit the Colorado Convention Center, or check out our website: www.denverpublicart.org/public-arts/ancient-colorado-series/.

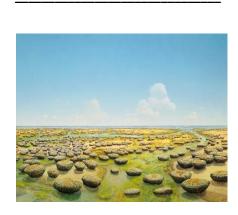
Can you match the artwork to its title? Hint: look carefully at the artwork where you will find clues that match words in the title. For instance, which artwork has a Stegosaurus? That artwork might have the word "Stegosaurus" in the title.

Write your guesses on the lines under each painting.





















Pole Forest Garden of the Gods 300 million years ago

Slimy Shoreline Roxborough State Park 250 million years ago

Triassic Thickets Rifle Falls State Park 225 million years ago

Stegosaurus Snacks Dinosaur National Monument 145 million years ago

Maritime Colorado Pueblo Reservoir State Park 85 million years ago

Triceratops Swamp Marshall Mesa 68 million years ago

After Armageddon Plains Conservation Center 65.5 million years ago

Rainforest Eruption South Table Mountain 64 million years ago

Redwoods and Roses Florissant Fossil Beds 34 million years ago

Ghost Predator Bonney Lake State Park 30,000 years ago