

## The Seven Year Itch

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Lessons can be learned from planning, building, and moving into a new Collections Facility at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science after seven years of working in and adjusting to our new home. We will go over what we got right, what could have been better, pitfalls and unexpected surprises in the process and how seven years' worth of hindsight can shed light for others in their planning. This hindsight helps focus attention on what really shouldn't be forgotten, what shouldn't be cut, what compromises can be made, and when to stand your ground. Feedback from other institutions is incredibly useful, as well as ensuring representation of collections personnel before, during, and after the project.

