

COLCHESTER
NATURAL HISTORY
MUSEUM

EVOLUTION IS OUR FLAGSHIP MODULAR RANGE. INTRODUCED IN 2003 EVOLUTION MADE AN IMMEDIATE AND PROFOUND IMPACT ON THE TEMPORARY AND TOURING EXHIBITION SCENE.

EVOLUTION RANGE

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Evolution's modular concept allows temporary exhibition designers to not only change exhibits within a gallery, but also the layout and configuration of the cases themselves, opening up a whole new world of possibilities.

TWO TYPES OF EVOLUTION

Evolution-1 was complimented by the introduction of the Evolution-2 series in 2013. Evolution-2 incorporates all of the feedback from our customers and has visually pleasing aesthetics (face bonded glass and concealed power conduit) along with improved lighting, shelving and performance characteristics. E-2 is the default module now, but E-1 will continue to be produced for our existing customers for many years to come.

WHAT DOES MODULAR MEAN?

The Evolution modules can either be used as a single stand-alone showcase, or joined together to create bigger and/or different shaped cases with no internal divisions, either with or without lighting depending on your exhibition needs. Glass top elements and lighting top

elements are completely interchangeable between modules of the same size.

WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS?

Available in two standard plan sizes of 700sq and 900sq, you do need modules of the same size to be able to join them together.

Various lighting options are available along with various humidity control options.

Suspended shelving is available along with internal display plinths where required..

Purpose designed, tool-free, heat-treated travelling crates are available for shipping or long distance transportation.

Casemover Trolleys are also available which allow you to pick up and move a fully assembled (single) module within a gallery without the need to dismantle/rebuild.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

All of our products are constantly evolving, for up-to-date technical specifications please visit our website or get in touch – full contact details are on the back cover of this brochure.

With Evolution the possibilities are endless.



The TESS Demountable display cases were the only product that met our need for beauty, security and transportability.

Jeffrey Wyatt, Vice President
Project Management, Arts & Exhibitions International.

EGYPTIAN TREASURES



THE GREATEST TOURING EXHIBITIONS OF OUR TIME: TUTANKHAMUN AND THE GOLDEN AGE OF THE PHARAOHS, PLUS TUTANKHAMUN THE GOLDEN KING AND THE GREAT PHARAOHS. BOTH EXHIBITIONS WERE SAFELY DISPLAYED IN TESS EVOLUTION CASES WHICH WENT ON TO HOUSE OTHER HUGE SUCCESSFUL TOURING EXHIBITIONS IN THE USA.

In a massive logistical exercise organised by National Geographic, Arts & Exhibitions International and IMG, with co-operation from the Egyptian Supreme Council of Antiquities, these two exhibitions spent 5 years touring the UK, Europe, the USA, Canada, and across the Pacific to Melbourne for the first time in Australian history – quickly becoming the most successful touring exhibition Australia had ever seen.

The priceless artefacts were largely housed in around 100 TESS Evolution Modular Display Cases, which were transported in purpose made crates, assembled, dismantled and reconfigured by the exhibition teams to suit each new venue.

The flexibility and security of the Evolution system was perfectly suited to the demands of such a fast moving and constantly evolving series of exhibitions, particularly as each venue had different shaped galleries or rooms often requiring the cases to be configured to suit the spaces available.

The dual purpose of the tour was to show the magnificent Egyptian artefacts to as many people as possible whilst explaining the history of the ancient Egyptian culture, and to generate revenue for the construction of the Grand Egyptian Museum in Cairo.

The first objective was overwhelmingly successful with over 8 million visitors throughout the tour. In terms of revenue generation, with average admission prices of around £20 (UK pounds), multiplied by the visitor numbers, it is easy to see why touring exhibitions are so popular in the museum and art worlds.

TESS Demountable is extremely proud to have been the sole supplier of modular showcases for two of the greatest touring exhibitions the world has ever seen.

Evolution – the choice of Kings and Pharaohs.



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- 1 ARMLEY MILLS INDUSTRIAL MUSEUM, LEEDS
Temporary display
- 2 THE WHIPPLE MUSEUM OF THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE, CAMBRIDGE
Orrey display
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Temporary display
- 4 YORK CITY ART GALLERY
Ceramic exhibition
- 5 THE BARBER INSTITUTE OF FINE ARTS, BIRMINGHAM
Tennis in Art
- 6 THE WHIPPLE MUSEUM OF THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE, CAMBRIDGE
Orrey display