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## Dinosaur Valley Mini Golf

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RECEIVES TFO INNOVATION AWARD

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Attractions Ontario, a private, not for profit provincial trade association is proud to announce that Dinosaur Valley Mini Golf, a member of Attractions Ontario since 1999, was the proud recipient of the Tourism Federation of Ontario's (TFO) first annual Tourism Innovation Award. The Minister of Tourism & Recreation Brian Coburn presented the award to Josephine Rainville, owner of Dinosaur Valley Mini Golf at the TFO Minister's Dinner, at the 5th Annual TFO Forum held at the Casino Rama Hotel on March 25, 2003.

The TFO is an umbrella group for the tourism industry that currently represents 26 member organizations. The Federation exists to advocate the interests of its member associations by making representation to government, the business community, and the public, encouraging them to support actions that will strengthen the viability of all components of the Ontario tourism industry and ensure generation of increased business. The TFO Tourism Innovation Award was created to recognize a person or a business that hosted an innovative product which promotes and enhances tourism in the province of Ontario. Special consideration was given to those who had donated time and/or resources to the community.

Dinosaur Valley Mini Golf in Greater Sudbury is owned and operated by Josephine & Marcel Rainville. The attraction was opened in 1998 and has since been dedicated to the memory of their son and to cancer families everywhere. The mini golf course is open annually from May - September and is the host to more than 40 charity events. Visitors can choose from 9 holes to 54 holes of mini golf set among a myriad of dinosaur and insect models and a labyrinth of mazes. For more information please visit [www.dinosaurusudbury.ca](http://www.dinosaurusudbury.ca).

Attractions Ontario, a member of the TFO, represents over 240 attractions and tourism related organizations across the province and exists to assist the needs of their members and to promote Ontario as a four season destination to the travelling public. Attractions Ontario is very proud to have Dinosaur Valley Mini Golf win the inaugural award and encourages everyone to visit this and many other unique attractions this summer.

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