

Life And Early Humans On Earth

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This Panel is about the first humans and life on our planet Earth. Life began as some microcellular thing that time evolved. Later, the microcellular organisms evolved into more life like trees, animals, and eventually people. Also during this paragraph my group mates will be telling you more about interesting facts about life forming on Earth, the inspiration behind our sketch, and what you can see in our mural panel. This period is so significant because life is unique in the vast universe and here it appears that life is only here for many (Reef)

The first life forms we know of were microscopic organisms (microbes) that left signs of their presence in rocks about 3.7 billion years ago. The signals consisted of a type of carbon molecule that is made by living things. *Homo sapiens* are part of a group called hominids, they were the first humanlike creatures. Based on archaeological and anthropological evidence, we think that hominids diverged from other primates somewhere between 2.5 and 4 million years ago in eastern and southern Africa. Though there was diversity among the hominid family, they all shared the ability of bipedalism, and the ability to walk upright on two legs. (Iker)

The big tree that you see may seem like a mangrove which would make sense but it also contains the "Forbidden Fruit" from Adam and Eve to show the beginning of life on Earth. Speaking of the beginning, DNA and the Earth made of microorganisms represent the basic building blocks of life, in other words, the very beginning of life as we know it. Those microorganisms (the ones in the Petri Dish that mimics earth) learned specific patterns that made it safe for them to grow and become animals, plants, and more. The sun and moon represent the constant cycle of day and night and the birds heading towards them represent the importance of the sun and the moon and how we respond to them. Our mural contains scientific and religious beginnings to show the unbelievably incredible parts of the Earth. (Alissa)

This age isn't the beginning but it is the beginning of life and nature and a lot of people see it in many different ways but we see it as a majestic grass field. It has many difficult but beautiful steps along the way and you can see much more on our mural. Think of what it could look like in your mind. What you see may not be how we see it but we can all agree that the events that happened led to life as we know it.