ANCIENT STEPS

The **dinosaur footprint** fossils on the wall above you were found in a quarry near the mouth of the Connecticut River, in Connecticut. They were made by an unidentified species of bipedal dinosaur during the **Triassic Age** (245-208 million years ago). The footprints are preserved in rocks of the **Newark Supergroup** – an assemblage of stream and lake deposits with interbedded volcanics. The footprints were collected in the late 1940s by **George Green**, the first geology instructor at City College. Professor Green made the cross-country trip back to California with this slab of rock tied to the roof of his car. The impressions are highlighted with varnish.

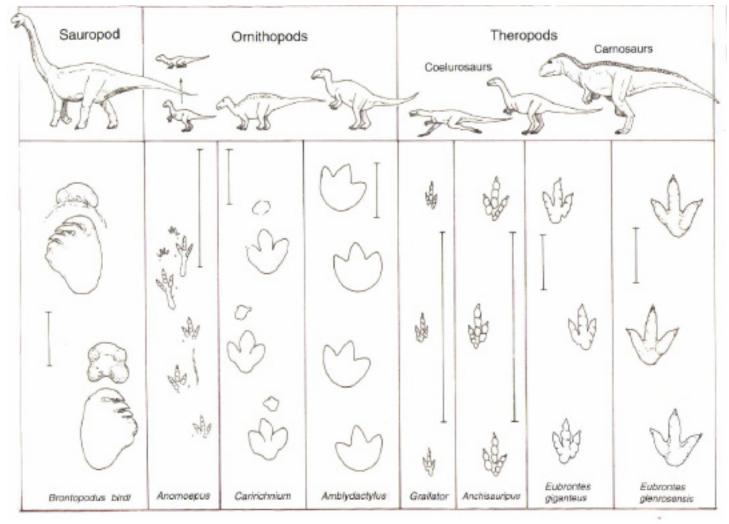


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Our trackmaker was most likely a carnivorous dinosaur similar in size and shape to *Dilophosaurus*. Tracks like these have been found throughout Newark Supergroup rocks in Northeastern United States and Canada.

