

Aquarium Lecture Series

Aquarium of the Pacific

April 2013

Thursday, April 3

Colleen Reichmuth and Caroline Casey

Remember the Titans: Communication and Social Learning Among Northern Elephant Seals



Described as aggressive and intimidating, the elephant seal is renowned for its titanic size and distinctive nose (in males). During mating season, the beaches the elephant seals call home become a battleground for male bulls vying for a mate. The vocalizations and the often-brutal fights that emerge determine the social order and the communications among the seal colony. Colleen Reichmuth and Caroline Casey aim to further study these social constructs and vocal displays among the elephant seals.

Thursday, April 24

Ken Kurtis

Gentle Jaws: Diving with Whale Sharks



Large in size, but gentle by nature, whale sharks capture the fascination of marine enthusiasts around the world. Ken Kurtis explores the world of whale sharks as he discusses the largest shark in the ocean. The whale shark gets its name from its large size and filter feeding habits and lives in the tropical and warm seas feasting on plankton, krill, and other small sea life. Learn more about these giants as you hear stories and see underwater images from Kurtis' encounters with these animals.

Wednesday, April 30

Jason DeCaires Taylor

Underwater Sculptures of Jason deCaires Taylor



Jason deCaires Taylor grew up in Europe and Asia, and spent time exploring the reefs of Malaysia. Taylor graduated from the London Institute of Art. Blending his two passions together has allowed Taylor to create some of the most unique art in the world. In 2006 Taylor founded the first underwater sculpture park off the coast of Grenada in the West Indies. It is now listed as one of the 25 Wonders of the World by National Geographic. His latest works can be found submerged off the coast of Cancun Mexico at the MUSA (Museo Subacuatico de Arte). Taylor will be discussing his latest creation and speak on his passion for the arts, the ocean, and its inhabitants, and what it means to him and for humanity .

All lectures are available via live broadcast at Aquariumofpacific.org/aquariumspeakers

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Aquarium of the Pacific, Ocean Theater
100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach 90802

COST: \$5 for the public. Free for all Aquarium members, senior citizens (62+), teachers, and students with ID and reservations

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