



CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM

MEDIA ADVISORY

Clearwater Marine Aquarium “Making Waves” Speaker Series

- **Free educational seminar on Thursday, October 15**
- **Topic: Harmful Algal Bloom**

Clearwater, FL (September 2) – Clearwater Marine Aquarium continues its free Making Waves speaker series Thursday, October 15 with Dr. Jim Ivey, Research Associate of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). In addition to his contribution to FWC’s Harmful Algal Bloom Marine Observation Network (HABMON) program, he is also an adjunct professor of natural sciences at St. Petersburg College.

Dr. Ivey’s presentation focuses on the subject of harmful algal bloom. Through his work and research, guests will have the opportunity to learn exactly what harmful algal bloom is, how it affects wildlife, and the processes used by scientists to monitor them.

In a special hands-on activity, attendees will be able to observe these organisms up-close under a microscope.

This free speaker series is geared toward anyone wanting to learn more about marine life and conservation and is open to all ages.

6.00pm	Welcome and refreshments provided by Costco Wholesale
6.30 – 7.30pm	Guest speaker, Dr. Jim Ivey
7.30 – 8pm	Q & A session

Location: Clearwater Marine Aquarium
249 Windward Passage, Clearwater, FL

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About Clearwater Marine Aquarium:

Clearwater Marine Aquarium (CMA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit working marine rescue center dedicated to inspiring the human spirit through leadership in education, research, rescue, rehabilitation and release. CMA is home to rescued dolphins, sea turtles, river otters, stingrays, nurse sharks and more. Winter the dolphin’s story of survival, after the injury that caused her to lose her tail, has impacted millions of people around the world. A major motion picture, Dolphin Tale, highlighted her life story in 2011. The sequel, Dolphin Tale 2, was released in September 2014 and features the incredible story of Hope, a young resident dolphin of CMA. The mission and potential to change people’s lives differentiates Clearwater Marine Aquarium from any other aquarium in the world.

WE BELIEVE in preserving our marine life and environment while inspiring the human spirit through leadership in education, research, rescue, rehabilitation, and release.

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