

MEDIA ALERT

'Dolphin Tale' Movie Stars Visit Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital

Clearwater, FL (July 24, 2017) – Movie stars from the hit movies *Dolphin Tale* and *Dolphin Tale 2* visited Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg on Monday, July 24. The actors surprised young fans who are unable to visit the Clearwater Marine Aquarium, where the *Dolphin Tale* movies were filmed and where Winter the inspirational dolphin resides.

Nathan Gamble who plays Sawyer and Austin Highsmith who plays Phoebe, Winter's Animal Care Provider, distributed signed *Dolphin Tale* merchandise and took photos with hospital patients.

"The Dolphin Tale movies and Winter's story have inspired children all over the world," says David Yates, CEO of Clearwater Marine Aquarium. "The smiles on the kids' faces while meeting the cast remind us the importance of CMA's mission of inspiring the human spirit."

The movie stars will be at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium July 22-29 to meet fans.

Additional Details:

- Photography and b-roll available upon request
- Actor visit schedule at seewinter.com

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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 an 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 environment while inspiring the human spirit through leadership in the rescue, rehabilitation, and release of marine life, environmental education, research and conservation.

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