



**Cabrillo
Marine
Aquarium**

Summer CALENDAR

2024

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium is a trusted resource that inspires exploration, respect and conservation of Southern California marine life.

Science at the Seashore: Summer Classes

Deadline to register is one week before the class begins.

Tales Between the Tides (ages 3-5)



You and your Young Explorer will help us discover nature at a child's "see" level. Using the Aquarium, our Classroom Laboratory and the Coastal Park, we will hear stories, see fascinating creatures, touch live sea animals, and even scamper like crabs! Each day we will make special memories and focus on a different theme. So choose one or both sessions!

Fee: \$26 (\$24 Friends members) for the two-day session. Space is limited, registration is required. Sorry, walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

Session 1 – Thursday, June 20 and Friday, June 21	10-12noon
Session 2 – Thursday, August 8 and Friday, August 9	10-12noon

Galloping Snails (entering grades 1-2)



Watch snails "gallop" and other seashore animal behavior through shoreline exploration and laboratory activities. Make ocean art and other projects as records of your discoveries.

Fee: \$85 (\$77 Friends members) for the four-day session and includes a program t-shirt. Space is limited, registration is required. Sorry, walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

Session 1 – Tuesday, June 25 through Friday, June 28	9am-12noon
Session 2 – Tuesday, July 16 through Friday, July 19	9am-12noon

Crab Shells (entering grades 3-4)



Observe animal behavior as you hold hermit crabs, go crab fishing, feed barnacles and more! Discover the marvelous mud at the salt marsh and explore how humans are connected to the ocean.

Fee: \$85 (\$77 Friends members) for the four-day session and includes a program t-shirt. Space is limited, registration is required. Sorry, walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

Session 1 – Tuesday, July 9 through Friday, July 12	9am-12noon
Session 2 – Tuesday, July 30 through Friday, August 2	9am-12noon

Ichthyology (entering grades 5-6)



Students will examine the inner and outer anatomy of a fish. Learn about the biology of fishes, from sharks to eels and to the garibaldi. Discover how ichthyologists use special tools, techniques and careful observation to understand more about fishes. Dissections, fish printing, and fish feeding are all included as part of the discovery!

Fee: \$85 (\$77 Friends members) for the four-day session and includes a program t-shirt. Space is limited, registration is required. Sorry, walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

Session 1 – Tuesday, July 23 through Friday, July 26	9am-12noon
Session 2 – Tuesday, August 13 through Friday, August 16	9am-12noon

Note: Date and times of programs and events are subject to change
Please see our website for the most up-to-date information.



Science at the Seashore: After-School Classes

Deadline to register is one week before the class begins. On four consecutive Wednesday afternoons, join CMA Educators for a series of hands-on after-school marine science adventures. Fee: \$30 (\$27 Friends members) for the series and includes a program t-shirt. Space is limited, registration is required. Sorry, walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

SEA Club – Science Education Afternoons

Activities may include observing animal behavior, examining rocky shore animals at the tidepools, exploring the wonders of mud at the salt marsh and getting up-close with microscopes.

Wednesdays, September 4, 11, 18, 25	4th-6th grade, 3:30-5pm
Wednesdays, October 9, 16, 23, 30	2nd-3rd grade, 3:30-5pm
Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, 27	K-1st grade, 3:30-5pm



Little Squirts (with parent)

Each week you and your child share in activities and exploration of the Aquarium and Coastal Park as an introduction to marine life for toddlers.

Wednesdays, Nov 27, Dec 4, 11, 18	Ages 2-4, 1:30-3pm
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Science at the Seashore: One-Day Programs

Monthly Beach Cleanup

Join CMA's Education Team in cleaning up the Coastal Park every first Saturday of the month. Monthly Beach Cleanups are a great way to enjoy the outdoors and learn about the marine environment, all while helping out! Meet at the steps in front of the John M. Olguin Auditorium.

Free and open to all ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations requested for groups of 15 or more. Student service credit available.

Saturday, June 1	9-10:30am
Saturday, July 6	
Saturday, August 3	
Saturday, September 7*	

*Please note, in preparation for The Grand Grunion Gala, the Aquarium will be closed



Monthly Native Garden Restoration

Join CMA's Education Team in cleaning up the native garden every second Saturday of the month. Monthly garden maintenance is a great way to enjoy the outdoors and learn about native plants, all while helping out! Meet at the native garden behind the aquarium.

Free and open to all ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations requested for groups of 15 or more. Student service credit available.

Saturday, June 8	9-10:30am
Saturday, July 13	
Saturday, August 10	
Saturday, September 14	



Salt Marsh Open House

Visit Cabrillo Beach's own wetland habitat, Salinas de San Pedro, and discover the plants and animals that call it home! Using binoculars, magnifying glasses and other tools, CMA Educators and volunteers will help you observe and explore this habitat. Or simply sit back, watch the tide change and listen to the birds and other wildlife.

Free and open to all ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations requested for groups of 15 or more.

Sunday, June 9	10am-12pm
Sunday, July 14	12pm-2pm
Saturday, August 10	10am-12pm



Public Fish Dissection

Get a closer look at the outside and inside of a fish. Join us as we investigate the anatomy of a fish through a dissection demonstration.

Free and open to all ages; registration is not required.

Saturday, June 15	1:15pm and 2:15pm
Saturday, July 20	
Saturday, August 31	
Saturday, September 28	



Nature Journaling

Join CMA education staff as we learn how to identify common marine animals. Practice tips and techniques for nature journaling with animals we find. All materials provided, including an upcycled/recycled nature journal that you can keep; you are welcome to bring your own materials if you prefer (pencils, colored pencils). Meet in the courtyard; participants are welcome to join anytime throughout the experience. Free and open to all ages; registration is not required.

Sunday, June 16	10am-12pm (Kelp Forest)
Sunday, July 21	2-4pm (Rocky Shore)
Sunday, August 25	2-4pm (Birds)
Sunday, September 8	2-4pm (Sandy Beach)

Special Events and Programs

Meet the Grunion

Watch the captivating grunion come up on the beach to spawn! Learn about the interesting mating rituals and biology of this curious fish. The program includes an auditorium program about the unique fish, the aquarium is open for exploration, then a guided observation at the beach. Cabrillo Beach closes at midnight. Warm clothing and a flashlight are recommended. During April, May and June (closed season) grunion may be observed but not touched. March, and July are open season, when grunion may only be taken by hand. Grunion hunters, 16 years or older, must have a valid California fishing license.



Fee: \$7 adults and \$3 seniors, students and children (Friends members free).

	Aquarium open	Predicted run
Saturday, June 8	6:30pm	10:54pm
Sunday, June 23	8pm	10:35pm

Fishtival & Member Appreciation Night

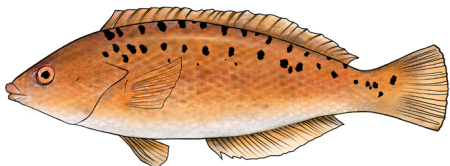
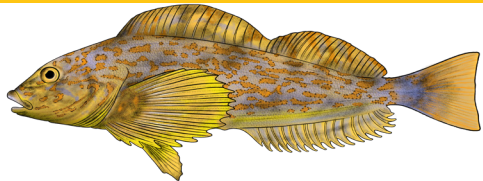
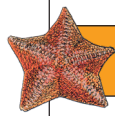

Celebrate Southern California's most unique fish species - the GRUNION! During this special evening, you'll be able to hatch grunion eggs, participate in grunion arts and crafts, watch a classic grunion video, interact with grunion researchers and see the many fish and other live animals in the Aquarium. After participating in fun grunion activities, everyone will head to the beach to observe these enchanting fish. Warm clothing is recommended.

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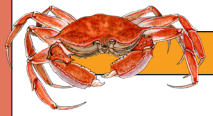



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Saturday, June 8	6:30pm- 12midnight	10:54pm



June 2024


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Beach Cleanup* 9-10:30am
2 Channel Islands Adventures Anacapa Islands 9:30am-4:30pm	3	4	5	6	7	8 Native* Garden Restoration 9-10:30am World Ocean Day 10am-5pm Meet the Grunion Fishtival 6:30pm-12midnight
9 Salt Marsh Open House 10am-12pm	10	11	12	13	14	15 Sensory Sensitive Saturday 10am-12noon Public Fish Dissection 1:15pm & 2:15pm
16 Nature Journaling 10am-12pm (Kelp Forest)	17	18	19	20 	21	22
23 Meet the Grunion 8pm	24	25 Deeper Dive Webinar Series 7-8:30pm	26	27	28 	29
30			Galloping Snails session 1 9am-12noon			
			Tales Between Tides session 1 10am-12noon			

July 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 4th of July Aquarium Closed	5	6 Beach Cleanup* 9-10:30am
7	8	9 	10	11	12	13 Native* Garden Restoration 9-10:30am
14 Salt Marsh OpenHouse 12pm-2pm	15 	16	17	18	19	20 Sensory Sensitive Saturday 10am-12noon Public Fish Dissection 1:15pm & 2:15pm
21 Nature Journaling 2-4pm (Rocky Shore)	22	23 	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	
		Crab Shells session 2 9am-12noon				
		Galloping Snails session 2 9am-12noon				
		Shark Week! 2-5pm				
		Ichthyology session 1 9am-12noon				

 Aquarium Closed

August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Beach Cleanup* 9-10:30am
				Crab Shells session 2 (continued from July) 9am-12noon		
4 Sea Fair 10am-3pm	5	6	7	8	9	10 Native Garden* Restoration 9-10:30am Salt Marsh OpenHouse 10am-12 noon
				Tales Between Tides session 2 10am-12noon		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Sensory Sensitive Saturday 10am-12noon
		Ichthyology session 2 9am-12noon				
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Educators Open House 10am- 11:30am
25 Nature Journaling 2-4pm (Birds)	26	27	28	29	30	31 Public Fish Dissection 1:15pm & 2:15pm

September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 SEA Club (4th-6th grade) 3:30-5pm	5	6	7 Beach Cleanup* 9-10:30am Grand Grunion Gala 5-11pm
8 Nature Journaling 2-4pm (Sandy Beach)	9 Fall Docent training begins 9-12:30pm	10	11 SEA Club Session 2	12	13	14 Native* Garden Restoration 9-10:30am
15	16	17	18 SEA Club Session 3	19	20	21 Coastal Cleanup* Day 9am-12noon Sensory Sensitive Saturday 10am-12noon
22	23	24 Deeper Dive Webinar Series 7-8:30pm	25 SEA Club Session 4	26	27	28 Public Fish Dissection 1:15pm & 2:15pm
Sea Otter Awareness Week 2-5pm						
29	30					

* Student service credit available



Summer Calendar 2024

World Ocean Day

Everyday is World Ocean Day at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium! Celebrate the ocean by learning about your local species of marine life that live right along our coast. Hatch some baby grunion fish, observe a tank feeding, learn about student research and endangered species and interact with staff at hands-on displays. Free and open to all ages; registration is not required.

Saturday, June 8

10am-5pm



Shark Week!



CMA's Shark Week is back! Enjoy JAW-some activities all week in honor of one of the ocean's top predators. Learn about their important role in California's ecosystem, the animals they eat and other fascinating shark facts! Visit us in the Shark Room in the Susanne Lawrenz-Miller Exhibit Hall.

Free and open to all ages; registration is not required.

Sunday, July 14 through Saturday, July 20

2-5pm

Sea Otter Awareness Week



Stop by CMA during Sea Otter Awareness Week and learn more about this amazing marine mammal. Learn about their important role in California's kelp forest ecosystem, the animals they eat and other fascinating sea otter facts! Visit us in the Kelp Forest Room in the Susanne Lawrenz-Miller Exhibit Hall.

Free and open to all ages; registration is not required.

Sunday, September 22 through Saturday September 28

2-5pm

Coastal Cleanup Day

You can make a difference! Adopt Cabrillo Coastal Park by joining our beach cleanup. Spend a morning with CMA staff and other volunteers and help improve our environment. Afterwards, wander through the Aquarium to get a closer look at the animals and habitats you helped. Free and open to all ages; waivers are required – please see our website to download the waiver. Reservations required for groups of 15 or more.

Saturday, September 21

9am-12noon

Sea Fair

Celebrate the bounty of the sea with fun-in-the-sun games, activities, music and hometown spirit at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium's Autumn SeaFair! Children of all ages will enjoy ocean-related activities throughout the day - get your face painted, do crafts and ocean related activities, visit our middle and high school docent education tables, learn how to cast a fishing rod, attend informative animal feedings, speak with conservation minded exhibitors, and listen and dance to live bands! All while enjoying the summer sun at the beach!

Sunday, August 4

10am-3pm

Lectures

Discovery Lecture Series

Join us for our science lecture series! All lectures are at 7pm on select Fridays in the John M. Olguin Auditorium. RSVP requested, visit our website for details.

Free. Details and registration information on our website. Free. For more information please check our website.

October 4

December 6

7-9pm

DISCOVERY LECTURE SERIES

Deeper Dive Webinar Series

Cabrillo Whalewatch presents "Deeper Dive", a monthly webinar series investigating the lives of whales and other marine mammals.

Free. Details and registration information on our website.

Tuesday, June 25

Tuesday, September 24

7-8:30pm

For Educators

Educators Open House

Join us for a welcome back Open House at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium! Come and experience our wide variety of free and fee-based school programs. Learn how Cabrillo Marine Aquarium can be a resource for your teaching needs. Enter a raffle for a chance to win a free bus to the Aquarium, free classes and much more! Visit our gift shop and bookstore during the open house and receive 10% off all purchases. Light refreshments will be served. Free; registration is requested.

Saturday, August 24

10am - 11:30am





Educator Workshops

Keep an eye out for our upcoming Educator Workshop series! From local habitats and animals to relevant environmental issues, each workshop is designed for educators interested in engaging their students, and themselves, with the wonders of marine science. Free. For more information, visit our website.

Ocean Outreach School Program

BRINGING THE OCEAN TO YOUR SCHOOL!

Enhance the educational experience through the use of hands-on discovery, specimen investigation and student participation. All our topics are tailored to grade-level & designed to spark students' curiosity for the ocean and the extraordinary life in it!

One hour class sessions; up to four sessions per site per day. Preschool through 8th grade, 30 students per classroom session.

Fee: \$170 for the first program, \$70 for each similar program. After-school programs (after 2:30pm): First program \$230, second program \$90.

Space is limited, registration is required. Year-round, Tuesday through Friday, between 9:30am and 4pm. For more information on our ocean-themed topics visit our website.

Voyages

Channel Islands Adventures

Discover the wonder of a birding and wildlife photography adventure to the Channel Islands National Park that starts as soon as you board the boat - keep your eyes peeled for birds and marine mammals! Once ashore, join an informative naturalist-led hike.

Reservations are required. Please call (310-548-7562) For additional information.

Channel Islands Anacapa Island

Our focus will be to photograph the thousands of nesting Western Gulls and their chicks amidst the natural beauty of Anacapa Island. CMA's photographer will be available for a wildlife photography workshop. This trip leaves from Oxnard Harbor.

Fee: \$70 (\$61 Friends members). Open to hikers 13+; anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited, registration is required.

Sunday, June 2

9:30am-4:30pm

Channel Islands Santa Rosa Island

Join the naturalist-led hike to a small forest of one of the rarest pines in the world - the Torrey Pines. During this quick paced seven-mile hike, learn about past human occupation and observe the diverse coastal habitats, amazing geologic formations and panoramic views. PLEASE NOTE: hike is fast-paced and very strenuous. This trip leaves from Ventura Harbor.

Fee: \$90 (\$81 Friends members). Open to hikers 13+; anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited, registration is required.

Saturday, October 5

7am-7pm



Baja Adventure

Join CMA for a trip that truly is the journey of a lifetime! During this nine-day ocean voyage, we spend three exciting days anchored in San Ignacio Lagoon, where friendly gray whales and their curious calves swim within arm's length of the skiffs. Naturalist-led hikes on remote, offshore islands provide exceptional views of elephant seal rookeries, a multitude of birds, diverse geological formations and a wide range of native vegetation. Thirty participants will eat well and sleep comfortably on the 113-foot Royal Polaris, leaving from San Diego (bus transportation between CMA and San Diego is provided). For more information, trip photos and a complete itinerary, visit our website.

March 3 to March 11, 2025

Exhibits

Earth Day -Take Action Day 2024 contest winners! Winning entries are on display at the Aquarium! Come see the amazing artwork through July 2024.



Grand Grunion Gala

Save the date for Grand Grunion Gala: GLOW! Don't miss the best beach party in town! This rocking event includes craft cocktails, silent auction, gourmet dinner, program and live auction. Then join us for dancing to music by a live band!

Check www.friendsofcabrilloaquarium.org for more details as the date approaches.

Saturday, September 7	5-11pm
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Volunteer Opportunities!

For more information, contact our Volunteer Coordinator
Floyd Anderson, 310-548-7562 x229, floyd.anderson@lacity.org

Fall Docent Training (for adults)

Guide schoolchildren on tours through the Exhibit Hall or on the beach, providing information and activities relating to the exhibits. Following two months of training, docents will choose one morning per week to provide tours. A desire to learn about the ocean, an interest in children and willingness to work with CMA for two years are the primary qualifications. Applications will be accepted through September 4, 2024.

Fee: \$30 (covers training and docent manual). Financial aid is available; fee subject to change. Reservations are required.

Mondays, September 9 through November 18	9am-12:30pm
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One-Day Special Events (for adults and youth)

We need your help at various events throughout the year - individuals and groups are welcome! Please call ahead to schedule yourself or your group. A list of upcoming events is available by contacting our Volunteer Coordinator.



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San Pedro, CA 90731

AQUARIUM HOURS

Tuesday through Sunday - 12 noon to 5 pm
Closed on Fourth of July, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day

GIFT SHOP HOURS

Tuesday through Sunday - 10 am to 5:30 pm
Closed on Fourth of July, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day

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Being a member is a great way to support CMA while receiving special benefits. It's a win-win! Donate, join, renew or shop online:

www.FriendsofCabrilloAquarium.com

Sensory Sensitive Saturdays

The Aquarium strives to ensure all guests feel welcome and included during their visit and that programs are accessible to everyone.

Spend some quiet time enjoying the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium on Sensory Sensitive Saturdays, the third Saturday of each month, from 9am to 10am. A pre-visit social story is provided at kulturecity.org to help plan what to expect during your visit. Sensory sensitive backpacks can be checked out at the Welcome Booth during any visit, if needed.



Swell Shark
Cephaloscyllium ventriosum

Fun Fact: Their skin contains fluorescent proteins that make them stand out as a bright green color under a blacklight.

