



CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM

MEDIA ADVISORY

Clearwater Marine Aquarium “Making Waves” Speaker Series: “Make way for the babies”

- **Free educational seminar on Thursday, May 19, 2016**
- **Featured Speakers: CMA Sea Turtle Team**
- **Topic: Sea Turtle Nesting with CMA’s turtle patrol**

Clearwater, FL (May 13, 2016) – Clearwater Marine Aquarium (CMA) will feature the sea turtle team for the May session of the free Making Waves Speaker Series. With nesting season underway, the turtle patrol will be busy from May to October monitoring loggerhead nests along 26 miles of Pinellas County beaches. Presenting speakers are sea turtle biologists Lindsey Flynn, Cassie Seebart, and Becca Riley.

The presentation will allow guests to dive into the daunting journey of a sea turtle hatchling. Many adventures await the young turtles as they trek to the ocean. Guests will learn the story of the “washback” hatchlings: tiny turtles who lost their way during last summer’s storms.

This free speaker series is geared toward anyone wanting to learn more about marine life and conservation and is open to guests of all ages. To learn more about upcoming sessions, visit our website here:

<http://www.seewinter.com/educate/educational-events/making-waves-speaker-series>

6.00pm	Welcome and refreshments provided by Costco Wholesale
6.30 – 7.30pm	CMA speakers, Sea Turtle Team
7.30 – 8.00pm	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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