



CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM™

Couple Gets Married Underwater This Valentine's Day at Clearwater Marine Aquarium

Long time dive volunteer at CMA will marry his fiancé among rescued sea turtles

Clearwater, FL (Feb. 13, 2018) – John Martin, a volunteer diver at Clearwater Marine Aquarium (CMA) for the past nine years, will marry the love of his life this Valentine's Day at the aquarium. Martin will marry his fiancé AnaMaria Plumridge while scuba diving in Mavis's Rescue Hideaway, a sea turtle habitat that he regularly scuba dives with the CMA Dive Team.

Martin cleans the habitats that the rescued animals at the aquarium live in, making sure their habitats are clean and healthy. He loves caring for the animals at the aquarium and is excited to get married among his CMA family.

"The love and passion John and AnaMaria share for the environment, marine life and each other is touching," says David Yates, CEO, "the opportunity for us to be a part of their special day is an honor for us."

Martin and his fiancé bond over their love for the outdoors and for water. In fact, Martin proposed to Plumridge while boating. Martin and Plumridge will continue to surround themselves with what they love this Valentine's Day when they become husband and wife in Mavis's Rescue Hideaway. Friends, family, and the rescued marine life at CMA will witness the couple dive happily ever after.

Media is invited to shoot the underwater wedding on Feb. 14 at 9:30 a.m. Please contact Julia Anderson at janderson@cmaaquarium.org or 727-686-3499 if attending.

Additional Details:

- When: Feb. 14, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.
- Where: Clearwater Marine Aquarium: 249 Windward Passage, Clearwater FL, 33767
- The wedding will be streamed live on [CMA's Facebook](#) at 10 a.m. EST.
- Photography and b-roll available upon request.

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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