



CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM

MEDIA ALERT

Clearwater Marine Aquarium Hosts Autism Awareness Day

- Autism Awareness Day scheduled for April 16

Clearwater, FL (April 13, 2015) – Clearwater Marine Aquarium (CMA), a marine life rescue center, will recognize and celebrate Autism Awareness this Thursday, April 16. The month of April is designated as National Autism Awareness Month.

Sensory friendly activities will be on hand in the Education Station at Clearwater Marine Aquarium. Additionally, Winter, Hope, and their friends will be introduced to a new toy recognizing this special day.

All are invited to recognize this special day at Clearwater Marine Aquarium.

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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 rescue dolphins, sea turtles, river otters, stingrays, nurse sharks and more. Winter, the dolphin's story of survival after 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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