Cabrillo Marine Aquarium
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2016 SUMMER DOCENT PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in our Summer Docent Program. This program is open to students entering 7th-12th grades in the fall of 2016.

We offer three programs: Junior High Aquarium Touring Docents, Senior High Aquarium Touring Docents and Aquatic Nursery Docents. After acceptance and training the docents will give tours one or two mornings a week to students from schools, recreation centers and other organizations.

Training Dates: Junior High Training week: 6/27 - 7/1, (9am-3pm)
Tours, Tuesday-Friday, July 5 - July 29, (9am-12:30pm)
Field Trips: Monday, July 11 Out of town field trip
Monday, July 18 Catalina
Monday, July 25 Beach Seine
Tours End/Family Potluck- Friday, July 29

Training Dates: Senior High Training week: 7/25 - 7/29, (1:30pm-4:30pm)
Tour Days, Tuesday-Friday, August 2 - August 26, (9am-12:30pm)
Field Trips: Monday, August 8 – Out of town field trip
Monday, August 15 – Catalina
Sunday, August 21 – Whale Watch Field Trip
Tours ends/"Gumba" Party – Friday, August 26

Aquatic Nursery Training week: 6/27 - 7/1, (9am-3pm)
Aquatic Nursery Service Days: 07/12 - 8/12, (11am-2:30pm)
Field Trips: Monday, July 18 – Catalina l (Avalon)
Monday, July 25 Beach Seine
Monday, August 1 – Catalina ll (Two Harbors)
End of Summer Party – Friday, August 26

Training is MANDATORY for returning and new docents – no exceptions. Training is very important in ensuring a successful and enjoyable experience as a Summer Docent. **All docents must attend each full day of training.**

Sixty (60) students will be accepted into each of the two Aquarium Touring sessions and twenty (20) students will be accepted into the Aquatic Nursery program.

PROGRAM FEES
Program fees cover training materials, T-shirt, name badge and field trips. The fee for the *Aquatic Nursery* program is $185.00. The fee for *Exhibit Hall* programs is $175.00. Financial aid is available and may be requested upon acceptance. **DO NOT send money with your application.** Fees will be collected upon acceptance into program.

INTERVIEWS & ACCEPTANCE

All applicants must participate in the interview process – no exceptions.
All applicants will be notified of acceptance within 3 weeks after the interview is conducted.
Applicants will be contacted in May for interview appointment.

REGISTERING WITH THE CITY

All docents are registered as volunteers with the City of Los Angeles. All volunteers 14 and older are subject to background check that includes fingerprinting. Instruction will be provided upon acceptance.

HOW TO APPLY

If you are applying for the **Junior High Program**. You must be going into the 7th, 8th, or 9th grade in the fall of 2016.
1. Complete the attached application.
2. Include your personal resume.
3. Include complete Teacher Reference form.
4. Include a one-sided, one-page handwritten essay answering the following, **"You are the President of the United Marine Kingdom of the World. All the animals know that there are some problems happening in the ocean and they want you to do something to address these problems." What do you do?** (Essays written on computers will not be accepted).

If you are applying for the **Senior High Program**. You must be going into the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade in the fall of 2016.
1. Complete the attached application
2. Include your personal resume.
3. Include complete Teacher Reference form.
4. Include a one-sided, one-page handwritten essay answering the following, **"You are the President of the United Marine Kingdom of the World. All the animals know that there are some problems happening in the ocean and they want you to do something to address these problems." What do you do?** (Essays written on computers will not be accepted).

If you are applying for the **Aquatic Nursery Program**. You must be going into the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade in the fall of 2016.
1. Complete the attached application
2. Include your personal resume.
3. Include complete Teacher Reference.
4. Include a one-sided, one-page handwritten essay answering the following, "**What interests you about scientific research? Give an example of how it connects to your daily life."**

ALL MATERIALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4:00 PM Friday, April 29, 2016
PLEASE SUBMIT ALL FOUR (4) ITEMS TOGETHER IN ONE PACKET

Mail packets to:
Floyd Anderson, Volunteer Coordinator
Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 3720 Stephen M. White Drive, San Pedro, CA 90731
Contact Floyd to make arrangements for drop-off.

2016 SUMMER DOCENT APPLICATION

Be sure to read the cover letter! Please print clearly in blue or black ink.

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Your Name: _____

As it will appear on your name badge.

Have you been in this program before please circle: No Yes If yes what year? _____

Please ✓which program you are applying for:

Exhibit Hall $175.00	**Aquatic Nursery Program $185.00**
☐ Junior High: Students Entering 7th-9th Grades ☐ Senior High: Students Entering 10th-12th Grades	☐ One Session: Students Entering 7th-12th Grades

Birth Date (month/day/year): _____

What grade will you be entering in the fall? (circle one) 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

Name of School: _____

How did you find out about the Summer Docent Program? _____ _____

_____

Address: _____

Street City State, Zip

Home Phone: (_____) _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Name _____ Name _____

Daytime Phone _____ Daytime Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Please provide your email address **and** the email of one parent/guardian. Email is the preferred method of communication with you. **Please print clearly**

Student: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Circle your T-shirt size *(note: Youth XL is the same as adult small)*

Youth Large

Adult Small Medium Large X-Large XX-Large

Provide your résumé *on the back*. (Summarize if necessary – no extra pages, please.)

Parent/Guardian Signature Required

- I understand that acceptance may be based on a lottery.
- I understand that attendance **every day during the training period is required**.
- If your child is a member of a service group such as Ticktockers, Assisteens, Los Hermanos, Los Compadres, etc., it is your responsibility to let the coordinator know of your child's participation in our program. Additionally, if hours need to be reported, your child is responsible for providing the coordinator a copy of the letter given to her/him at the end of the program which confirms the number of hours served.

Print Name _____ Signature _____

Keep a copy of this for your records!

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Teacher Reference: 2016 Summer Docent Program

Student Name:

The student named above has applied for Cabrillo Marine Aquarium's Summer Docent Program. This program is designed to give students lifetime skills in working with large groups of people, knowledge of the local ocean environment and a sense of accomplishment.

Please note: Your student is ***REQUIRED*** to turn this recommendation in with his/her other application materials in one complete packet. *Depending upon your personal preference, you may give him/her this recommendation as is or in a sealed envelope.* Please call or e-mail Floyd Anderson at (310) 548-7562 ext.229; Floyd.anderson@lacity.org if you have any questions.

Your honest evaluation of the student in the following areas is much appreciated.

Cooperation, responsibility, dependability

Integrity, maturity

Ability to work with peers and adults

Appropriateness of speech, manners and dress

How long have your known the student?

In what class do you teach him or her?

I recommend the student:
- ❍ Enthusiastically
- ❍ Strongly
- ❍ With reservations
- ❍ Do not recommend

Please explain your recommendations (use the reverse side if necessary):

Teacher's Name	School
Email	Phone
Signature	