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## **2017 SUMMER DOCENT PROGRAM**

Thank you for your interest in our Summer Docent Program. This program is open to students entering 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades in the fall of 2017.

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 school, recreation centers and other organizations.

**Training Dates: Junior High Training week: 6/26 - 6/30, (9am-3pm)**

**Tours, Tuesday-Friday, July 5 - July 28, (9am-12:30pm)**

**Field Trips:** Monday, July 10 Los Angeles Zoo

Monday, July 17 Catalina

Monday, July 24 Beach Seine

**Tours End/Family Potluck-** Friday, July 28

**Training Dates: Senior High Training week: 7/24 - 7/28, (1:30pm-4:30pm)**

**Tour Days, Tuesday-Friday, August 1 - August 25, (9am-12:30pm)**

**Field Trips:** Monday, August 7 – Los Angeles Zoo

Monday, August 14 – Catalina

Sunday, August 20 – Whale Watch Field Trip

**Tours ends/"Gumba" Party** – Friday, August 25

**Aquatic Nursery Training week: 6/26 - 6/30, (9am-3pm)**

**Aquatic Nursery Service Days: 7/5 - 8/18, (11am-3pm)**

**Field Trips:** Monday, July 24 Beach Seine

Monday, August 7 – Los Angeles Zoo

Monday, August 14 – Catalina (Two Harbor)

Sunday, August 20 – Whale Watch Field Trip

End of Summer Party – Friday, August 25

**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 Sixteen (16) 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 \$200.00. The fee for *Exhibit Hall* programs is \$200.00. 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 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, or 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2017.

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, **"The Vaquita have chosen you to speak on their behalf." What would you like to say in order to help save them from extinction?** (Essays written on computers will not be accepted).

If you are applying for the **Senior High Program**. You must be going into the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2017.

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, **"The Vaquita have chosen you to speak on their behalf." What would you like to say in order to help save them from extinction?** (Essays written on computers will not be accepted).

If you are applying for the **Aquatic Nursery Program**. You must be going into the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2017.

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 science discovery is important to share?**

**ALL MATERIALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4:00 PM Friday, April 28, 2017**  
**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

**If you drop off the application leave it at the info booth with ATTN: Floyd**

# 2017 SUMMER DOCENT APPLICATION

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



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:

<b>Exhibit Hall \$200.00</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Junior High: Students Entering 7 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> Grades <input type="checkbox"/> Senior High: Students Entering 10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grades	<b>Aquatic Nursery Program \$200.00</b> <input type="checkbox"/> One Session: Students Entering 7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grades
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Birth Date (month/day/year): \_\_\_\_\_

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

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 most often used 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: 2017 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 you 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	