




**Cabrillo
Marine
Aquarium**

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2011 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 2011. The 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.

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

Training Dates: Junior High Training week: 6/27-7/1, 9am-3pm
Tours, Tuesday-Friday, July 5-July 29

Field Trips

- Monday, July 11 Sea World
- Monday, July 18 Catalina
- Monday, July 25 Beach Seine
- Tours End/Family Potluck- Friday, July 29

Senior High Training week: 7/25-7/29, 2-5pm
Tours, Tuesday-Friday, August 2- August 26

Field Trips

- Monday, August 8 – Sea World
- Monday, August 15 – Catalina
- Monday, August 22 – Senior Fun Day
- Tours ends/"Gumba" Party – Friday, August 26

Aquatic Nursery Training week: 6/27-7/8, 9am-12:30pm
Tours, Tuesday-Friday, July 12- August 26

Field Trips

- Monday, July 11 – Sea World
- Monday, August 15 – Catalina
- Tours end /"Gumba" 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 sixteen (16) students will be accepted into one Aquatic Nursery program.

PROGRAM FEES

Program fees cover training materials, T-shirt, name badge and field trips. The fee for all programs is \$130.00. 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 2011.

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, "If whales could talk, what do you think they would say?" (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 2011.

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, "If you were the "Boss," how you would stop ocean pollution? (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 2011.

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 is a hypothesis? Tell us your hypothesis something you've observed in the last week."

ALL MATERIALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY Friday, April 29, 2011
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.

