

Gray's Reef Ocean Film Festival | 2012

20-23 September 2012 • The Jepson Center for the Arts • Trustees Theater • Savannah • Georgia

Tuesday, September 18 through

Sunday, October 7

Live From Gray's Reef:

Underwater Photography

by Greg McFall

Telfair Museums' Jepson Center
207 W. York Street, Savannah, GA

Thursday, September 20, 6:30 pm

Opening Night

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Enjoy a free evening of film about sea turtles, a discussion about the future of Georgia's iconic loggerhead sea turtles, and a book signing.

Turtle: The Incredible Journey

The story of a little loggerhead turtle, as she follows in the path of her ancestors on one of the most extraordinary journeys in the natural world.

Plus, following the film, publisher and author Frank Gromling, Ocean Publishing and Kris Williams, director of the Savannah-based Caretta Caretta Sea Turtle Research Project, will discuss the fate of loggerheads in the southeast and answer questions.

Gromling will sign copies of his book, *Tracks in the Sand: Sea Turtles and Their Protectors*.

Friday, September 21, 4:00 - 10:00 pm

National Geographic in Savannah

Enjoy a free day and evening of films about Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, the National Marine Sanctuary Program and wonders, mysteries and issues facing the wider ocean.

4:00 - 6:30 pm

SCAD'S Trustees Theater
216 E. Broughton St., Savannah, GA

Films produced about Gray's Reef and other National Marine Sanctuaries around the nation.

At 4:00 pm

Explore Your National Marine Sanctuaries (4 min)

A short introduction to America's national treasures: our 14 marine sanctuaries.

Ocean Invaders (16 min)

The story of the exotic and invasive Lionfish, from its introduction into American waters, its harmful effect and new hope in winning the battle against them.

Sustaining the Snapper: Research at

Gray's Reef (15 min)

A story of Congress's mandate to stop over fishing in southern Florida, brought to you by conservationists and fishermen themselves. This documentary presents both sides of the over fishing debate, the consequences for each side involved, and most importantly, the fate of the snapper.

Gray's Reef at 25 (9 min)

Welcome to another world: Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary. For over 25 years, its beauty and wonder have captivated divers and now, audiences.

Lost on a Reef (17 min)

Marine archaeologists, just off the shores of Hawaii, explore numerous shipwrecks, learning truths about seafaring hundreds of years ago, as well as the correlation they bring to seafaring today.

At 5:15 pm

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Jane Yarn (26 min)

The vision and persistence of one woman is a powerful force. In this 30 minute documentary, meet a woman who would save world-famous Cumberland Island, create two of American's first underwater marine sanctuaries, and serve as Jimmy Carter's top environmental adviser (as well as much more).

Project Ship Hunt (45 min)

The story five high school students teaming up with experts in ocean exploration, to solve a hundred year old mystery and go on the adventure of a life time.

4:00 - 6:30 pm (book signing)

SCAD's Gutstein Gallery
201 E. Broughton St., Savannah, GA

National Geographic film producer and SCAD professor Kevin McCarey will sign copies of his new book, *Islands Under Fire, The Improbable Quest to Save the Corals of Puerto Rico*, published by Ocean Publishing.

7:00 - 10:00 pm

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Mission of Mermaids (15 min)

A short film celebrating our relationship with the ocean. It's both a poetic ode to the seas and a plea for their protection.

National Geographic producer and film

maker Andy Mitchell

Mitchell will screen his latest film from the National Geographic series "Wild Americas" about sea life along the coastlines of North and South America.

Saturday, September 22, 4:00 - 10:00 pm

Celebrating the Cousteau Legacy

No single name is more well-known in ocean filmmaking and exploration than Cousteau.

Founder of the Ocean Futures Society, Jean-Michel Cousteau's personal passion for the oceans translates into the Society's Mission: "... to explore our global ocean, inspiring and educating people throughout the world to act responsibly for its protection, documenting the critical connection between humanity and nature, and celebrating the ocean's vital importance to the survival of all life on our planet."

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Jean-Michel Cousteau will sign copies of his books on exploring National Marine Sanctuaries.

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At 4:00 pm

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Marine Debris (6 min)

Looking at our oceans, we see many objects from our world above. How can we prevent marine debris? Once it's there, is safe removal possible?

Take me to the Water, the Story of Pin Point (33 min)

On the banks of Moon River (just south of Savannah, GA), a coastal society of Gullah and Geechee people existed. Within this society of first generation freedmen, we see the importance of family, religion and work, but most of all we see the importance of an enclave holding onto their land, as freedmen properties along the South Eastern coast have all but disappeared.

Jane Yarn: Marsh Lady of the Georgia Coast (26 min)

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Island, create two of American's first underwater marine sanctuaries, and serve as Jimmy Carter's top environmental adviser (as well as much more.)

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Cool Water Haven (18 min)

The story of the majestic Farallon Islands and its inhabitants, from the whales and fish that live in its surroundings waters to the birds, sea lions, and other creatures that live on its shores. No wonder it is a National Marine Sanctuary.

Fagatele Bay National Marine Sanctuary (17 min)

A story of beauty, culture and diversity of life. Welcome to Fagatele Bay, part of American Samoa, home to 3,000+ years of history, as well a way of life that is forever tied to its ocean surroundings.

From Rivers to Reef (15 min)

An introduction Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary and the researchers who work there and the challenges that it faces.

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Jean-Michel Cousteau Select Films

A selection of films by Jean-Michel Cousteau, celebrating ocean filmmaking and exploration of the ocean.

Sunday, September 23, Noon - 5:00 pm

Our Ocean's Future

Local emerging film makers give us their view on the future for our oceans and coasts.

SCAD'S Museum of Art
601 Turner Blvd., Savannah, GA

Student films to be presented:

Caves: The Social Underground

Lifeline: A Documentary on the Chesapeake Bay Oysters

The Living Fossil

Loud and Out of Tune: A Study in Sound

Pollution

Mangroves: The Walking Trees

Megateeth

Protecting Prosimian Primates