



GRAY'S REEF NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY OCEAN FILM FESTIVAL Savannah, Georgia September 17 to September 19, 2010

The 7th Annual GRAY'S REEF NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY OCEAN FILM FESTIVAL provides filmmakers and audiences a unique opportunity to celebrate a shared passion for the ocean through cinema in the romantic coastal city of Savannah, Georgia where one can feel and smell the sea breeze. The Festival presents a solid lineup of ocean-themed films that explore our relationship to the sea, the coastlines, islands, and the estuarine environments.

The Festival's program of ocean-related films is screened to the public free of charge in an effort to educate, inspire, and foster a spirit of ocean stewardship. The Festival has exhibited an impressive host of premieres and award-winners including the World Premiere of the ground-breaking film PROTEUS, the US premiere of SHARKWATER, and Werner Herzog's ENCOUNTERS AT THE END OF THE WORLD.

MORE ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

The Gray's Reef Ocean Film Festival is produced by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The festival focuses on ocean-themed films so that the subject can be explored in depth, without competition from films on other topics and causes to dilute the focus. It takes place in one of America's most romantic port cities, a place full of old world charm and a growing, modern environmental ethic. The public is invited to attend all screenings, free of charge.

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