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# Explore Human-Ocean Interdependence at S.E.A. Aquarium's Ocean Fest 2023: One Shared Future

Celebrate World Oceans Day with a photo exhibition, art installations, the Junior
Ocean Protector programme and more, which advocate responsible use of
oceans

SINGAPORE, 22 May 2023 – S.E.A. Aquarium's (S.E.A. 海洋馆) Ocean Fest is back for its fourth edition in its bid to continue inspiring visitors to protect the world's oceans. From 2 June to 13 August 2023, learn about the state of the oceans and responsible use of ocean resources at Ocean Fest 2023: One Shared Future. Visitors of all ages can look forward to an exciting line-up of programmes, including a specially curated photo exhibition, immersive art installations by local artists and educational booths – all revolving around ocean sustainability.

Parents and their young ocean enthusiasts can also enjoy bonding time during the school holidays with the **Junior Ocean Protector** programme, which runs from **27 May to 25 June 2023**. Children and adults alike will have the opportunity to delve deeper into marine biodiversity and conservation through fun and enriching activities.

# Ocean Fest 2023: One Shared Future (2 June – 13 August 2023)



This World Oceans Day happening on 8 June 2023, learn how everyone can contribute to marine conservation at S.E.A. Aquarium's Ocean Fest 2023: One Shared Future. The event invites visitors to

examine the interdependence between humans and oceans through the lens of marine life affected by human activity.

Step into a possible future of a dystopic ocean with the **Eyes On Our Oceans** photo exhibition in S.E.A. Aquarium. The photographs curated from The Ocean Agency – an international non-profit organisation dedicated to marine conservation – touch on a variety of topics, such as ocean diversity, responsible fishing and marine debris.

The impact of human behavior on oceans is also reimagined through thought-provoking art installations by local artists Victor Emmanuel and Stellah Lim in **Bold Beauty**. Victor Emmanuel's 'Cumulative' is a progressive four-part series of sculptures which showcases the many ways that an organism is affected by single use plastics and microplastics, while 'Mistaken Identity' by Stellah Lim is a demonstration of how single-use plastics are recycled and manipulated to resemble marine animals.

In **Once Upon A Tide** at Ocean Dome, be transported into tales of a fisherman's greed and a brave crab through video stories by celebrated storyteller Kamini Ramachandran. Drawing inspiration from her repertoire, Kamini's stories are a reminder to treasure oceans and their resources.

Guests can also visit educational booths at **Waves Of Hope** to learn about environmental efforts and solutions from Singapore's youths and advocates. From 5 to 16 June, visit the Citizen Science Booth to find out more about S.E.A. Aquarium's Citizen Science Programme. Members of the public can sign up as volunteers, who will receive training and participate in a survey to monitor Singapore's marine biodiversity. This serves to generate awareness and appreciation of local biodiversity, which will contribute to marine research in Singapore. From 20 to 30 June, check out the Youth Ocean Ambassador Programme Booth for poster presentations of think-tank solutions by youths. These presentations have been curated from the Youth Ocean Ambassador Programme, where youths aged 15 to 18 invent modern solutions for specific marine issues. To round off the experience at Ocean Fest, visitors can pledge their commitment to protect the oceans at the pledge wall. The wall also includes information and a QR code for guests to sign up for beach clean-ups and become S.E.A. Aquarium volunteers.

Ocean Fest 2023: One Shared Future is included in regular admission to S.E.A. Aquarium. Tickets retail from \$\$43/Adult and \$\$32/Child. For more information on the event, visit: www.rwsentosa.com/oceanfest.

## Junior Ocean Protector (27 May – 25 June 2023)



S.E.A. Aquarium's **Junior Ocean Protector** also returns from 27 May till 25 June, but with a twist! Both children and adults can participate in the programme, where they go on a guided trail to uncover interesting facts about marine animals. Each six-hour session also includes exclusive behind-the-scenes access at the aquarium – participants get to join Aquarists as they prepare food for the marine animals, see a shark's egg up close and learn more about the lifecycle of sea jellies. There is even a craft workshop to teach participants how to assemble a portable microscope and use it to see tiny artemia – or brine shrimp – from S.E.A. Aquarium in detail.

The Junior Ocean Protector programme is for children aged 7 to 12 and an accompanying adult, with one session per day from Fridays to Sundays, from 9am to 3pm. Lunch is included. Early bird tickets are on sale from now till 23 May at \$\$398 and includes a S.E.A. Aquarium One-Day ticket for one adult and one child. Regular tickets are available from 24 May to 21 June at \$\$428.

For more information on S.E.A. Aquarium's Junior Ocean Protector programme and registration details, visit: <a href="https://www.rwsentosa.com/junioroceanprotector">https://www.rwsentosa.com/junioroceanprotector</a>.

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#### **ABOUT S.E.A. AQUARIUM**

Opened in November 2012, S.E.A. Aguarium at Resorts World Sentosa is one of the world's largest aquariums and is home to more than 100,000 marine animals across 1,000 species. Featuring more than 40 diverse habitats, S.E.A. Aquarium aspires to support and raise awareness of the conservation and preservation of threatened species such as hard corals, and sharks and rays. Through interactive programmes, up-close animal encounters and immersive learning journeys, S.E.A. Aquarium aims to inspire visitors to learn about the world's oceans and its diversity. S.E.A. Aquarium collaborates with local and regional partners in marine conservation projects and is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aguariums (AZA) and World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA).





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