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Calendar Listing

WHAT: “One World, One Ocean: World Ocean Day Festival”

WHEN: Saturday, June 6
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

WHERE: Smithsonian’s National Museum of Natural History
10th Street and Constitution Avenue N.W.

WHO: Smithsonian and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration scientists, educators, artists and craftspeople

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The Smithsonian’s National Museum of Natural History will host “One World, One Ocean: World Ocean Day Festival” Saturday, June 6, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the museum’s Sant Ocean Hall. Visitors will learn about the human connection to and impact on the world ocean.

Highlights of the festival:

- Cartoonist Jim Toomey (“Sherman’s Lagoon”) draws ocean-related illustrations as author David Helvarg (“50 Ways to Save the Ocean”) talks about ways humans are connected to the ocean.
- Smithsonian and NOAA scientists will discuss their research, and visitors can view museum specimens and artifacts.
- “Name that Jellyfish!” Visitors can participate in a jellyfish-naming contest and learn about this new species.
- “Ocean Friend Challenge”: Participants can take the challenge and earn an “Ocean Friend Certificate.”
- The importance of marking storm drains for the health of the ocean and how people can get involved in their community will be discussed.
- Facts about sustainable seafood and how these food choices can help maintain a healthy ocean will be presented.
- Face painting of popular ocean critters.

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