

Monday, April 20, 2009

COME DOWN TO EARTH WEEKEND

April 25 & 26 at the Vancouver Aquarium

Vancouver, BC – Staff and volunteers at the Vancouver Aquarium invite you to celebrate **EARTH WEEKEND** with us in beautiful Stanley Park, Saturday, April 25 & Sunday, April 26.

EARTH WEEKEND is chock full of fun, educational activities for people of all ages!

The **7th annual Goodbye Salmon Fry** event includes public tours of the Aquarium's salmon hatchery. By releasing your own salmon fry into the BC Hydro salmon stream in Stanley Park, you'll effect the conservation of a vital marine species. Goodbye Salmon Fry tours & releases occur at 11:45 a.m., 1:45 p.m., 2:45 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. on both April 25 & 26.

In partnership with Fresh Start Recycling, **EARTH WEEKEND** also gives you an opportunity to **drop off your electronic recycling for FREE!** Items accepted include computer hardware and cell phones. When you come down to **EARTH WEEKEND**, bring your electronic recycling items with you so they can be properly recycled in an Earth-friendly way.

Check out our dive show in the Strait of Georgia exhibit each morning at 11:30. You'll learn about **POST (Pacific Ocean Shelf Tracking)**, a research program using acoustic receiver technology to track migration of salmon and other marine species in the Pacific Ocean. And after the dive show, learn about the Aquarium's **Killer Whale Adoption Program**.

Plus, **EARTH WEEKEND** includes a fun scavenger hunt with the chance to **win a Sea Otter Encounter for 2!** And you'll find Earth-themed crafts and face-painting for kids and lots of Earth-friendly tips from Aquarium staff.

Come down to EARTH WEEKEND at the Vancouver Aquarium, it's the perfect opportunity to keep on celebrating Earth Day. Details at <http://vanaqua.org/home/EarthWeekend2009>

About the Vancouver Aquarium

The Vancouver Aquarium is a self-supporting, non-profit association dedicated to effecting the conservation of aquatic life through display and interpretation, conservation practices, education, research, and direct action. Learn more at www.vanaqua.org

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