

Friday, October 23, 2009

WANNA KNOW WHAT'S REALLY SCARY? Halloween at the Aquarium now on through October 31st!

Vancouver, BC – Halloween at the Vancouver Aquarium is on now through October 31st. Our spook-tacular Halloween programs feature fun, family-friendly activities for all ages.

WANNA KNOW WHAT'S REALLY SCARY? brings you frightfully fun stuff to do:

- **'Haunted Lighthouse' 4D Experience** – see the spooky new film
- **Bug Eating Stations** – put your stomach to the test
- **Creepy Critter Corner** - get up close and personal with exotic animals
- **Bat Chat** – aspiring vampires talk it up and hang out (or upside down)
- **The Good, The Bad and the Endangered Scavenger Hunt** - you could WIN a Behind-The-Scenes Creepy Critter Encounter at the Aquarium!

In addition to all the excitement, here's a scary Halloween fact - oceans and aquatic life are in danger! But changes in how we live could help them. Did you know? ... 450 years from now your plastic water bottle will finally decompose to pulp - that's 22 generations into the future! But before that happens, plastic litter is carried to oceans where it is mistaken for food and consumed by marine life. Halloween programs at the Aquarium connect scary facts like this to inspiring ways you can support marine conservation in your daily life.

"We look forward to welcoming families for frightening Halloween fun", says Karen Howe, Visitor Experience Director, Vancouver Aquarium. "While you're at the Aquarium enjoying our 4D Experience 'Haunted Lighthouse' or scavenger hunt, we hope you'll remember our oceans and marine life are in real danger. That's what's really scary this Halloween. But the good news is we share helpful ideas for families to get involved in marine conservation."

Get in the costume spirit! Wear your full Halloween costume to the Aquarium on Saturday, October 31st and enjoy a special 10% discount at the Gift Shop and Café.

See the complete scary Halloween schedule at <http://visitvanaqua.org>

About the Vancouver Aquarium

The Vancouver Aquarium is a global leader in connecting people to our natural world, and 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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