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## **DREAMNIGHT AT THE VANCOUVER AQUARIUM PROVIDES MAGICAL EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG PATIENTS**

**Vancouver, B.C.** – Last night the Vancouver Aquarium hosted its eighth annual Dreamnight, a special evening where over 380 children with serious or life-threatening illnesses and their families spend time with an amazing array of marine creatures.

The special guests enjoyed beluga and dolphin shows, plus performances from Juno nominated children’s entertainers Bobs and Lolo and Graham the Magic Guy. The evening brought smiles to many faces with diver interactions, marine discovery stations, wet lab exploration, animal feedings, and special mascot appearances including Beebop, the beloved beluga.

Dreamnight is an annual event hosted by the Aquarium for children with serious or life-threatening illnesses and their families. Vancouver Aquarium staff and volunteers donate their time to keep the Aquarium open late so children and their families can have a special and unforgettable experience.

Dreamnight was enjoyed by patients from BC Children's Hospital, Sunny Hill Health Centre for Children, Ronald McDonald House, Starlight Children's Foundation Canada, Canuck Place Children's Hospice, Make-A-Wish Foundation of BC & Yukon, Children's Wish Foundation, Variety - The Children's Charity, Sunshine Foundation Dreams for Kids, and Children's Heart Network.

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### **About 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, education, research, and direct action. Learn more at [www.vanaqua.org](http://www.vanaqua.org).

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