

Volunteers Needed!

Become a Sanctuary Exploration Center Docent



The training program will be:

April 7th – May 12th on Saturday mornings from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

The training program is designed to help you as a docent interpret the rich natural and cultural resources of Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

What you will learn about:

- Local watersheds
- Geological features
- Leatherback turtles
- Deep-sea research
- Rocky intertidal
- Kelp forests
- Monterey Bay mammal migrations
- Plastics in the ocean
- Local fishing history and fisheries
- Interpretation techniques
- Cultural heritage

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) is seeking dynamic individuals to become docents at the Sanctuary Exploration Center in Santa Cruz. As an Exploration Center docent you will have the opportunity to:

- Attend educational enrichments
- Conduct sanctuary science
- Earn a discount in our gift shop
- Interpret exhibits
- Assist with school field trips and guided tours
- Assist with daily operations

Informational Meeting: Saturday, March 17th at 10:00 AM

Where: Sanctuary Exploration Center – 35 Pacific Ave., Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (across from the Dream Inn and the Wharf in Santa Cruz)

***This meeting is not mandatory, but is designed to give you more information about the program before the training class starts.

Applicants must be at least 16 years of age, and are required to commit to at least two four hour shifts per month. Applications can be submitted in person or through the website <https://montereybay.noaa.gov/vc/sec/volunteer.html>

For questions, please contact: nicholas.ingram@noaa.gov

