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Get Into Your Sanctuary!

Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary encourages people to “Get Into Your Sanctuary!” on Saturday, June 27. Get Into Your Sanctuary is a national series of events to celebrate America’s special ocean places by encouraging visitors to experience a national marine sanctuary and share their experiences via #VisitSanctuaries.

As a travel destination, few places on the planet can compete with the diversity of NOAA’s National Marine Sanctuary System, which protects America’s most iconic natural and cultural marine resources. Fortunately, the vast majority of all national marine sanctuary waters are open to recreational fishing, diving, surfing, swimming, kayaking and many more compatible recreational activities.

The theme for Olympic Coast is “Healthy Ocean Healthy You!” On June 27, activities will originate from Kalaloch Lodge and include:

- **9:30am** Yoga at Kalaloch Beach
- **11:30am** Beach ecology walk and beach cleanup with Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary and SurfRiders Foundation
- **3:00pm** Southern Resident Killer Whales presentation by NOAA Fisheries marine mammal expert Lynne Barre
- Olympic Culinary Loop sustainable dining experiences at Kalaloch Lodge and other Olympic Peninsula destinations (<http://olympicculinaryloop.com/>)

“Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary is such a magical place, whether you like to walk the beach, surf, fish or watch wildlife or sunsets. I can’t think of a better place to spend a summer weekend,” says Carol Bernthal, Sanctuary Superintendent.

Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary is administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and was designated in 1994 as the first national marine sanctuary in the Pacific Northwest. It encompasses about 3,189 square miles off the Washington coast, extending from Cape Flattery to the Copalis River. Significant natural and cultural resources include 29 species of whales, dolphins and porpoises, large populations of nesting seabirds, shipwrecks, and some of the most spectacular wilderness coastline in the lower 48 states.

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