

News, Travel & events

SeaSpace Show June 7 & 8, 2003

The SeaSpace Expo, sponsored by the Houston Underwater Club, is coming to the Reliant Arena, next to the Reliant Astrodome in Houston, Texas.

On June 7 & 8, 2003, the show features an Exhibit Hall; Live and Silent Auctions; a Gallery of Underwater Photography; and a special presentation of the award-winning film "Ocean Oasis."

Seminars and Workshops of special interest to underwater photographers include: Jack & Sue Drafaehl, two workshops, "Techniques for Improving your Underwater Photography" & "Digital Imaging for the Underwater Photographer"; James Wiseman, "Slide Shows in the Digital Age"; Steffan Schulz, "Digital Video Production - Editing & Shooting for the Edit" and more.

For more information, visit
www.seaspace.org

Coral spawning in Grand Cayman with Alex Mustard

UwP contributor, marine biologist and underwater photographer Dr Alex Mustard is leading a trip to Grand Cayman from 1st - 12th September 2004 to photograph spawning coral.

The trip is timed to coincide with mass coral spawning, but you should also witness spawning of many of the reef fish and with luck some other invertebrates.

This is a trip for marine life enthusiasts, but the unusual photographic opportunities will also appeal to both underwater photographers and videographers.

The trip will be based at the east end of the island and Alex will be on hand to help with his extensive knowledge of this marine phenomenon.

For further details, contact Divequest.
Telephone: 01254-826322 or e-mail
divers@divequest.co.uk

website: www.divequest.co.uk
(don't forget to mention UwP!)

Divequest expedition to Dominica with Martin Edge

Martin Edge is leading an expedition to Dominica in January 2004.

It will be based at the Castle Comfort Dive Lodge close to some of the best diving in Dominica.

The expedition will be for 7 nights from 26th January 2004 and prices are from £1599.

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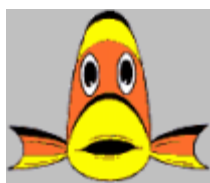
Buddy-up between 1 June and 31 July 2003 and save up to 25% on the price of your accommodation and your diving with Eco Divers.

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The World Festival of Underwater Pictures, Antibes Juan les Pins, Antibes in association with OceanNEnvironment & Scuba Diver Australasia Magazine present



'Celebrate the Sea Festival' 14-17 August 2003

It is now going to biggest and the most exciting festival of the sea event ever stage in the Asia Pacific – the festival is now confirmed to be stage in conjunction with the ASEAN Holiday Tourism EXPO 2003 at MID VALLEY Exhibition Centre Kuala Lumpur – Malaysia biggest shopping complex. Celebrate the Sea's static exhibition will share the same hall with Asia Overland Services which will be coordinating the eco and adventure travel exhibitors. The two other halls will feature nature and general tourism product of ASEAN countries and Malaysia. In co-operation with MTS Tourism Planners – organizer of the ASEAN Holiday Tourism EXPO 2003, local and international media partners, we anticipate more than 50,000 visitors through the 3 day static exhibition. This inaugural event is endorsed and supported by the organizers of the Antibes reputed to be the Cannes of underwater

films for the last 30 years.

'Celebrate the Sea Festival' is comprised of:

Static exhibition

15 – 17 August; Mid Valley Exhibition Centre: featuring top dive operators in Malaysia, Indonesia, underwater imaging, environmental agencies and display of prints in competitions. Entry is free.

Films & Slides Presentation

15 – 17 August; Hall 10, Golden Screen Cinema, Function room at Cititel & Mid Valley Exhibition Centre: feature films and slides in competition, presentation and talks by David Doubilet, Emory Kristoff, Michael AW, Dr Carden Wallace, Matthew Maer, Andrew Wight, Jacqui Stanley, Bernie Chowdhury, Michael Wong, Daniel Mercier and Pierre Cotton. Entry by Master Pass

The highlights of the festival are the showing of the latest in marine feature

documentaries, non-stop screening of films prints in competition, slide show competition, children's painting competition, 'Celebrate the Sea' painting contest and static exhibition of marine arts & craft, diving in South East Asia & Innovative diving equipment.

The core of the festival are the underwater imagery competitions; underwater film makers, and photographers are invited to send in their entries to compete for over USD\$ 50,000 prize money, holiday and equipment prizes. In addition to gold, silver and bronze medallions, ROLEX will once again sponsor the David Doubilet Award for Excellence in Underwater Photography and the Stan Waterman Award for Excellence in Underwater documentary. Documentaries and images may be captured from any location. To enter the competitions —

www.celebratethesea.oneocean.com

New site for digital video cameramen



Cliff Etzel has launched a new web site for underwater digital video users.

www.uwdv.com is a comparatively new site so it is just finding its way but is developing rapidly and should, in time, become a valuable

resource for underwater videographers.

Check it out.
www.uwdv.com

Jim Church School of Underwater Photography Liveboard Photo Courses

In accordance with Jim's wishes, close friends and associates for 15 years, Mike Mesgleski and Mike Haber will host the "Jim Church School of Underwater Photography" classes aboard Aggressor Fleet liveboards in 2003 and 2004.

The "Mikes" operate Underwater Camera Repair in Miami, Florida. Started in 1988, they currently service and repair Sea & Sea, Nikonos, Seacam & Seacam & Aquatica underwater photographic systems for photographers around the world.

Their book and video ER - Emergency Repair for the Nikonos V Camera, takes you step-by-step through the inspection, dismantling, drying, reassembly & testing of a flooded Nikonos V camera.

For more information visit:

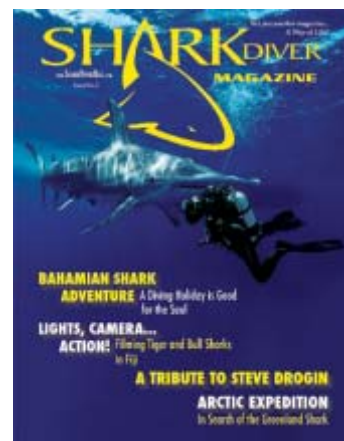
www.underwatercamerarepair.com

or

www.jimchurchphoto.com

New shark diving magazine

This magazine has been created to fill a void. The shark diving industry has grown into a mainstream eco-tourism attraction worldwide. More dive shops have caught on to the idea that adding an educational shark dive to their itinerary will attract more people and much needed revenue to the economy.



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