

## Channel Islands Maritime Museum

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### AUGUST 16 - CIMM SPEAKER SERIES EXPLORES THE TRUTH ABOUT SHARKS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Oxnard, CA – On August 16, the Channel Islands Maritime Museum presents “The Truth About Sharks in Southern California”. Sharks are undoubtedly one of the most misunderstood animals on the planet. These beautiful creatures have been around for over 400 million years and are of vital importance to keeping our oceans - and our planet - alive. With humans killing over eleven thousand sharks every hour, it is important to become informed about the importance of the species and what we can all do for their conservation. Learn about what lives in our local waters, as well as the difference between shark facts and media hype. You’ll walk away with a newfound appreciation for sharks and how to be a “Citizen Scientist” that contributes to their preservation!

A Los Angeles native, Apryl has received bachelors degrees in chemistry and marine science, as well as her MS in Biomedical Science, and has been published in several scientific journals. An avid surfer she can be found on the waves. As educating the public and next generation of scientists is of utmost importance, you can also find her working on shark programs with Waterfront Education in the South Bay.

Speaker Series is a lecture series held every third Wednesday at the Channel Islands Maritime Museum. Refreshments are served at 6:30 pm and the lecture begins at 7:00 pm. Entry is free with membership, \$7 for non-members, \$5 for seniors.

The Channel Islands Maritime Museum is located in Oxnard's Channel Islands Harbor at 3900 Bluefin Circle. CIMM is open Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am – 4 pm; Sundays from 12 pm – 4 pm; Tuesdays and Wednesdays are open for reserved group tours and private member events. Explore galleries full of rare and beautiful maritime paintings dating back to the 1600's, more than sixty world-class models of historic ships, rotating thematic fine arts exhibitions, and interactive exhibits that encourage visitors to expand their horizons about everything maritime. CIMMM entry is \$7 for adults, \$5 seniors and active military with ID, \$3 children (ages 6-17), and free for members and children under 6. Info: [cimmvc.org](http://cimmvc.org) or (805) 984-6260.

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