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UPDATE FOR SUPPORTERS OF THE
USC WRIGLEY INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturdays at the Lab

Saturday, May 25, 2019

Friends of the Wrigley Institute gift of July Workshop Social

Join us at the Wrigley Marine Science Center for an open house presentation on the Remote Biological and Chemical Sensing Sustainability Park. The event will feature a limited number of hands-on demonstrations and will include opportunities for participants to volunteer and support the work of WIES.

Friends of the Wrigley Institute Labor Day Weekend Social

This year's social will be held at the Wrigley Marine Science Center. Our hosts, the Friends of the Wrigley Institute, will be providing food and drinks. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Friends of the Wrigley Institute at 310-825-3700 or via email at chvostal@usc.edu.

For more information on how you can support the USC WRIGLEY INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, please visit www.uscdoms.usc.edu/wrigley.

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BISC 457 Student Symposium - Bird Rock Calling: A Study of Tuna Crabs

One of the highlights of this symposium was the presentation on the red tuna crabs, which have been washing onto shore in recent years. Their final presentation to the community was studying the ecological impacts of an introduced species, designing and conducting an independent project – all in the context of a research cruise aboard the R/V Yellowfin. The class then went on to put their knowledge into practice, collecting samples from the environment and using a variety of techniques to observe bacteria in the ocean, extract their DNA, and design experiments. They also spent time on the island, learning about the cultural history and traditional practices of the local people, and interviewing them about their experiences with environmental change. These activities provided students with a firsthand understanding of the complexities of marine ecosystems and the challenges of sustainable resource management.

The symposium also featured a panel discussion on current research projects at the Wrigley Marine Science Center, including the development of new tools for monitoring marine biodiversity, the use of satellite imagery to track the movement of marine mammals, and the development of new techniques for detecting pollutants in the ocean. These presentations highlighted the diversity of research underway at the Wrigley Marine Science Center and the potential for these projects to contribute to our understanding of marine ecosystems and the challenges facing the planet.

In the end, the Symposium was a success, with participants learning about the exciting research being conducted at the Wrigley Marine Science Center and the important role of the USC WRIGLEY INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES in supporting this work. The symposium served as a testament to the importance of collaboration and the need for continued support to ensure that this important work can continue.

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