

COSTA CONSERVATION VILLAGE PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

Volvo Penta Conservation Stage

Thursday, February 13

11 AM An Ocean Free of Discarded Nets is a Sight Worth Seeing

Jess Bryant

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12 PM Lionfish Cooking Demonstration

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1 PM Under Pressure: Corporations & Plastic Pollution

Lia Colabello, Plastic Pollution Solutions

Plastic pollution is a pervasive global issue. Plastic can now be found in the food we eat, the water we drink and the air we breathe. How did this happen, and what are the solutions? Join us as we discuss the rise of plastic pollution, touch on the array of solutions available, and dive into one facet: the need for corporate innovation and design change.

2 PM The Billfish Foundation – Fighting for Sportfishing

Peter Chaibongsai

The Billfish Foundation uses science, education and advocacy to protect the future of sportfishing. Come learn about their many programs that... you might even see some juvenile billfish!

3 PM Panel Discussion—Chefs' Views on Sustainable Seafood

Join Miami's Top Chefs as they share how you can be a force for positive change. As the effects of global warming cause dramatic world changes and modern pressures on the worldwide fish populations impact wild fish stocks. We need to make better choices that include sustainable seafood. We can do something about it.

4 PM Ocean Conservancy: South Florida Waters

Jon Paul "J.P." Brooker

From the oceans to the Everglades, the Ocean Conservancy highlights the interconnectedness of South Florida's iconic waters in a short film starring Everglades guide Capt. Benny Blanco. Join us to watch the film and take part in a Q&A with Ocean Conservancy staff about their work.

Friday, February 14

11 AM The International Game Fish Association's Great Marlin Race

Jason Schratwieser

The IGMR, presented by Costa® Sunglasses, is a research collaboration between the IGFA and Stanford University. Recreational anglers, armed with cutting-edge satellite tag technology, become citizen scientists and deploy tags on the billfish they catch. Come learn how these tags transmit data to researchers who find out more about billfish biology and how the fish interact with their habitat.

12 PM Spices of the Caribbean Work Shop

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Obsessed with Flavor! Join James Beard Award Winning Chef Allen Susser for his hands-on Spices of the Caribbean Workshop. Learn about the spices and fragrant aromas of exotic cultures. You will embrace the artisan secrets of handmade spice blending that have been passed down through the ancient spice roots.

1 PM Coastal Conservation Association: Conservation Efforts in Florida

Leiza Fitzgerald

CCA Florida works to advise and educate the public on conservation of marine resources while enhancing our coastal waterways through habitat restoration projects, water quality initiatives and fisheries advocacy. Come learn how CCA Florida works statewide with its over 19,000 members and corporate partners, including recreational anglers and outdoor enthusiasts, to conserve and enhance marine resources and coastal environments.

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3 PM Panel Discussion - Conservation & Sustainable Fisheries

Come join the discussion on sustainable fisheries with leading experts from the IGFA, CCA and other conservation organizations as they discuss with Chef Allen the importance of sustainable recreational fishing practices from ocean to the table.

4 PM Bringing Your Local Waters to Life

David Wolff

Join a discussion with Ocean Habits, Inc. to learn how Mini Reef, an artificial habitat system, can bring manmade waters to life using the wasted space underneath boat docks.

Saturday February 15

11 AM Examining the proposed Biscayne National Park fisheries management plan

Biscayne National Park Superintendent Penny del Bene, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Regional Director Tom Reinert, and NMMA's Nicole Vasilaros

The National Park Service and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission have released a proposed management plan that will balance outdoor recreation, fisheries management and conservation for Biscayne National Park—the nation's largest recreational marine park in the National Park System. The plan's goal is to avoid unnecessary restrictions, all while increasing the abundance and size of fish species by 20 percent. Come learn more about the plan and how it is a win for the environment, anglers and boaters.

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1 PM Bonefish and Tarpon Trust: Bringing Science to the Fight in Florida

Dr. Ross Boucek

Florida's recreational fisheries are one of our state's biggest economic assets. However, our fisheries are under attack from irresponsible development and tourism growth, poor freshwater management and fisheries regulations from outside of Florida that have a direct impact on our fisheries. Come learn how BTT is representing anglers and using science to change regulations to keep our fisheries productive, as well as what we all can do now, and in the future to make sure our industry is sustained.

2 PM Captains for Clear Water: The State of Our Waters

Daniel Andrews and Chris Wittman

Come join the co-founders of Captains for Clean Water as they discuss the current state of Everglades restoration and the important role the community plays in helping CFCW advancing restoration projects in the state of Florida.

3 PM Panel Discussion—Slow Fish Miami

We do want to have enough fish in the seas and oceans to enjoy and feed our grandkids and their grandchildren. Fish populations are being threatened by overfishing and destruction of natural habitat on the coastlines and the reefs. Fish need to be a part of the future of planet earth.

4 PM Panel Discussion—Everglades Restoration

Join members of the conservation and recreational fishing communities to learn about the current state of the Everglades and learn different perspectives on how to restore an iconic watershed.

Sunday, February 16

11 AM University of Miami's RECOVER

Alexandra Karaczynski

Discover what we have learned about the impacts of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill on mahi-mahi and red drum.

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1 PM The IGFA's Passports to Fishing Program—Educating the Next Generation of Ethical Anglers Around the World

Lisa Morse

The Passports to Fishing program is the IGFA's signature hands-on, interactive method for teaching kids to fish. Come learn how these "fishing clinics in a box" are distributed to IGFA's international network of supporters and empower them with the necessary tools to teach young anglers the basics of angling and environmental stewardship.

2 PM NOAA National Marine Sanctuaries: Explore our Nation's Underwater Parks

Hannah MacDonald

NOAA's National Marine Sanctuaries protect some of the best, most iconic places to play and explore. Join us as we travel across the sea and to the depths of the ocean and Great Lakes through a virtual reality dive.

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4 PM The Force Blue Initiative

Jim Ritterhoff

FORCE BLUE is a nonprofit organization that addresses two seemingly unrelated problems: the rapidly declining health of our planet's marine resources and the difficulty returning combat veterans have in adjusting to civilian life. Join FORCE BLUE representatives for a discussion on their critical mission and their 100 Yards of Hope initiative—a project in coordination with the NFL that will restore an entire

ecosystem of corals, sponges, gorgonians, diadema and other marine life indigenous to the Florida Coral Reef Tract.

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