



CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENT

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HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY HOSTS LECTURE “Partnerships Protecting our Watersheds: East Maui in Focus”

Allison Wiest is the Community Outreach and Education Liaison for the East Maui Watershed Partnership (EMWP). The 120,000-acre EMWP was formed on 1991 as the first watershed partnership in the State of Hawai‘i. That partnership helped pool economic, technical, and human resources to manage the East Maui watershed. Allison will highlight the value of partnerships like these, focusing on the work they are doing, some of the species protected, and the efforts made to keep our watersheds healthy. Through her talk, she will share her experiences with these special and often unique places. Allison joined EMWP in 2010, and before that she was a field assistant for the West Maui Mountains Watershed Partnership and she led environmental hikes for Maui-Eco Adventures. She uses her extensive knowledge of Hawai‘i’s forests and conservation work to educate and spread her love of the ‘aina to the public.

WHAT: Sanctuary Lecture Series

WHEN: Thursday, September 12, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Kīhei Conference Room, 726 S. Kīhei Rd.

WHO: Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary

The sanctuary is administered by a partnership of NOAA’s Office of National Marine Sanctuaries and the State of Hawai‘i through the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). The sanctuary works to protect humpback whales through research, education, conservation and stewardship. Join us on [Facebook](#).

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DLNR’s mission is to enhance, protect, conserve and manage Hawaii’s unique and limited natural, cultural and historic resources held in public trust for current and future generations of the people of Hawaii nei, and its visitors, in partnership with others from the public and private sectors. Join us on [Facebook](#).

On the Web:

Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary: <http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov>

NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries: <http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov>

State of Hawai‘i Department of Land and Natural Resources: <http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/>