

# AMERICAN CETACEAN SOCIETY – 16<sup>th</sup> International Conference **WHALES & US, *The Next Generation***

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## **Program Schedule at a glance** *(more details soon - may be subject to change)*

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### ***Friday November 2, 2018***

#### **Whale Watch**

8:00am - 4:00pm      Whale Watch Trip with Davey's Locker. Transportation to and from the hotel and a boxed lunch is included.

#### **Registration**

5:30 - 6:30pm      Check-in or register for the conference, and receive goodies!

#### **Welcome Reception**

6:30 - 7:00pm      Reception and welcoming words.

7:00 - 7:20pm      Heirs To Our Oceans - Inspiring next generation leaders in marine conservation!

7:20- 7:30pm      Aeon for Ocean

7:30- 7:40pm      Sena Wazer

7:40 - 8:00pm      ACS Student Coalition leaders : *The Next Generation*

8:00 - 9:00pm      Reception continues with a special musical guest performance by *The Kinematics*, featuring cetologists: John Calambokidis, Ari Friedlaender, Jeremy Goldbogen, and Brandon Southall.

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### ***Saturday November 3, 2018***

#### **Registration Open**

7:00am      Check-in or register for the day

#### **Welcoming Remarks**

8:45 - 9:00am      Uko Gorter, ACS National President

#### **Session 1**

9:00 - 9:25am      Ari Friedlaender - *Better late than never: using recent advances in our understanding of baleen whales around the Antarctic Peninsula to aid in conservation and management efforts*

9:25 - 9:50am      Ted Cheeseman – *Sharing the Science: What 2500 Whale Watchers are doing for Research*

9:50 - 10:15am      Kate Stafford - *Listening in the dark to the winter songs of bowhead whales*

10:15 - 10:45am      Morning Break: refreshments, poster viewing, exhibitors

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**Session 2**

- 10:45 - 11:10am Joy Reidenberg - *Cetaceans Use Air To Boldly Go Where No Mammal Has Gone Before*
- 11:10 - 11:35am Jeremy Goldbogen - *Whale TV: the development of whale-borne camera tags and how they change our understanding of whale biology*
- 11:35 - 12:00pm Dara Orbach - *Tinder for cetaceans: Swerve left or right to select mates*

12:00pm LUNCH

**Session 3**

- 1:00 - 1:25pm Marc Webber - *New Habitat for Humpback Whales: Foraging for Fish in San Francisco Bay*
- 1:25 - 1:50pm John Calambokidis- *Threats to whales from ship strikes and entanglements*
- 1:50 - 2:15pm Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara - *Important Marine Mammal Areas (IMMAs): as close as we can get to enable marine mammals to tell us where they want to be left in peace*

2:15- 2:45pm Afternoon Break: refreshments, poster viewing, exhibitors

**Special Session: Cetaceans on the Edge of Forever (panel discussion)**

- 2:45 - 4:30pm Moderator:  
Bernd Würsig
- Panelists:  
Brooke Bessesen  
Shane Gero  
Thomas Jefferson  
Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara  
Chris Parsons  
Zak Smith

4:30- 5:30pm Poster Session

4:30- 6:00pm Photography Contest, Book Signing, Silent Auction

7:00pm BANQUET

- 8:00pm John Heyning Award Presentation
- Keynote Speaker: **Bernd Würsig - *Whales, Dolphins, and Us: From Generation to Generation (sub-title: "shoulders")***
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# Sunday, November 4, 2018

## Registration Open

7:00am Check-in or register for the day

## Students Meet the Scientists

8:00am A unique opportunity for students to ask scientists questions and gain advice about research and careers.

## Opening Remarks -Awards

9:00 - 9:30am Announcements and Student Poster & Photography Contest Award Winners announced.

## Session 1

9:30 - 9:55am Denise Herzing - *Dolphins, displacements, and data collection during a changing climate*

9:55 - 10:20am Janet Mann - *Matrilineal influence on cetacean culture*

10:20 - 11:00am Morning Break: refreshments, poster viewing, exhibitors

11:00 - 11:25am Shane Gero - *The Lost Cultures of Whales*

11:30pm LUNCH

## Documentary Movie

1:00 - 3:00pm Documentary movie screening followed by Q & A (more details to come)

3:00 - 3:30pm Afternoon Break: refreshments

## Session 2 - ACS and Beyond!

3:30 - 4:00pm Alisa Schulman-Janiger - *ACS/LA Gray Whale Census and Behavior Project: 35 Years of Citizen Science*

4:00 - 4:30pm Sabena Siddiqui - *ACS behind the scenes of the IWC Meeting in Brazil*

## Conference Wrap-Up

4:30 - 5:00pm Conference Discussion and Closing Remarks