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## EVENT DETAILS

### Ensuring a future for life in Australia's oceans - Marine Biodiversity Hub

**When** 21 May 2010 9:00 AM - 31 Aug 2010 5:00 PM

**Where** Questacon  
Mall Road West, Parkes ACT

**What** Exhibition

**Who** Everyone

**Theme** Marine Science

**Website** <http://canberra.questacon.edu.au/exhibitions/marine.html>

Exhibition of images showcasing Australia's rich seas, wildlife and the research discovering new worlds.

Australia is a marine nation. Eighty six percent of our population lives within 50 kilometres of the sea. The estimated 250,000 marine species in Australia's oceans share these waters with industries that put food on our tables and petrol in our cars. Many Australians like to sail, fish, dive, swim and surf in the same seas. How can all these uses be accommodated while protecting our rich and unique biodiversity? The exhibition of images is also timely as the United Nations has declared 2010 as the International Year of Biodiversity. The Curator is Mark Norman, Head of Science at Museum Victoria, on behalf of the Marine Biodiversity Hub\*. (\*The Marine Biodiversity Hub is a collaborative partnership funded by the Commonwealth Environment Research Facilities (CERF) programme, an Australian Government initiative supporting world class, public good research. Its partners include the Tasmanian Aquaculture and Fisheries Institute, University of Tasmania; CSIRO Wealth from Oceans National Flagship; Geoscience Australia; Australian Institute of Marine Science; and Museum Victoria.) More info: <http://www.marinehub.org/index.php/site/home/>

Ramp exhibition - Images are displayed on the walls as visitors walk up the ramp to the different levels of Questacon. Entry to the ramp exhibition is included with admission.

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