



## Education Volunteer – Group Presenter

The Marine Mammal Care Center Los Angeles (MMCC) is a hospital for seals and sea lions located in San Pedro. Our mission is to rehabilitate marine mammals with the goal of releasing them back to their natural environment, and to educate the public about our patients and ocean conservation. The National Marine Fisheries Service depends on MMCC to carry out the important goals of the Marine Mammal Protection Act. As a non-profit organization, MMCC's primary funding is provided by individuals, charitable foundations, private businesses, and corporations. MMCC operates with dedicated volunteers and staff working diligently to rehabilitate sick, injured, or malnourished seals and sea lions who are rescued on beaches from north of Zuma all the way to Seal Beach.

### *Role Description:*

The Educational Presenter Volunteer will assist the Education team with guest interaction, particularly with scheduled groups. This volunteer reports to the Chief of Operations and Education Officer and Volunteer Services Manager and may be primarily on-site at the hospital and educational facility in San Pedro, California, but may have some remote scheduling. Duties include:

- Educating guests about our patients, overall ocean health, and what they can do to make a positive impact
- Leading engaging conversations with guests
- Ensuring a safe and positive experience for all guests of MMCC

### *Commitment:*

The Educational Presenter Volunteer will commit to two meetings per month for on-going training, in addition to any scheduled groups the volunteer will lead. Scheduled groups may be sporadic, but volunteers should be prepared to lead one group per month. Volunteers are expected to commit to this role for at least six months.



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### ***Requirements:***

The Educational Presenter Volunteer must be 18 years or older. This role is open to current MMCC volunteers who have at least three months of experience as a Tour Guide volunteer, Each volunteer must have reliable transportation to the hospital. Experience in education is beneficial, but not required. The volunteer should be competent in all the following areas:

- Able to talk to groups of people of various ages and sizes
- A willingness to collaborate with other volunteers and MMCC Staff
- Able to manage time affectively including being on time for scheduled presentations and meetings
- Able to handle potentially stressful situations with professionalism and composure

### ***Position Impact:***

The Educational Presenter Volunteer will play a vital role in the mission of MMCC through the education of the general public regarding our patients and ocean conservation. By inspiring others and encouraging action, these volunteers impact the future health of our ocean.

This opportunity allows volunteers to learn a great deal about the marine mammals in our local waters and how we impact their environment. This is an excellent opportunity for those that enjoy interacting with others.

### ***Contact:***

To apply for this important volunteer role, contact the Volunteer Services Manager at [kwong@marinemammalcare.org](mailto:kwong@marinemammalcare.org).



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