


The Raincoast Education Society is excited to share our upcoming events with you!



**January 10th
ZOOPLANKTON
with Moira Galbraith**

**February 7th
WILD SALMON
with Dr. John Reynolds**

**January 24th
FORAGE FISH
with Dr. Mark Hipfner**

**February 21st
PINNIPEDS
with Sheena Majewski**

**March 14th
ORCA
with Dr. John Ford**

Thursdays @ 7pm from January to March

2019 RAINCOAST SPEAKER SERIES: PREDATOR AND PREY

Whether your interests lie in landing a tyee, orca ID, or maybe just plankton taxonomy, as a westcoaster, chances are you are involved and engaged when it comes to marine matters. Here is your chance to get informed!

The Raincoast Education Society is proud to present the [2019 edition of our Speaker Series](#) – this year’s theme is “Predator and Prey”. From copepods to killer whales and everything in between, come out and join some of BC’s leading scientists to learn more about the key players in the marine food web, how they interact amongst each other, and what it all means for us.

Whether you are keen on learning more about the biology and ecology of the species whose home we share, or looking to get some perspective on the politics of stock assessment, this series is guaranteed to please, and we can’t wait to see you there!

All events are held on Thursdays from from 7-9pm at the [Tofino Botanical Gardens and Ecolodge](#) classroom (1084 Pacific Rim Hwy) and are \$5 admission at the door. New this year is the Raincoast Speaker Series punchcard - attend all five talks to be entered in a draw for an amazing prize!

[See the events on Facebook](#)

Spring 2019 Field Courses

The [Raincoast Institute](#) offers high-quality continuing education courses that inspire adults and young adults to connect with natural ecosystems.

We would love to have you join us for our upcoming courses this spring!



April 26th - 28th

Birds of the West Coast



May 17th - 19th

Seaweeds of the West Coast

with instructor [Mark Maftei](#)

Participants will be introduced to the general ecology and biology of birds with an emphasis on the species commonly found in and around Clayoquot Sound. Topics covered will include basic ID skills, breeding biology, physiological adaptations, migration ecology, and conservation issues.

[Only 12 seats available!](#)

Photo: [Jesse Findlay](#)

with instructors [Dr. Bridgette Clarkston](#) and [Dr. Katy Hind](#)

This field course will introduce participants to the world of west coast seaweeds. Topics to be covered include biodiversity of west coast seaweeds, essentials of collecting and identifying seaweeds, foraging, the relationship between seaweeds and people, and pressing and preserving seaweeds.

[Register here!](#)

Photo: Bridgette Clarkston



May 3rd - May 5th, 2019

22nd Annual Tofino Shorebird Festival

Every year from late April through May, thousands of sandpipers, plovers, whimbrels, and many other shorebirds pass through the Tofino area.

Come celebrate this impressive annual migration with a series of educational birding activities throughout the region. This is a great opportunity to experience the largest wildlife migration in the region, learn about birds, and understand why Tofino is one of the very best places in western Canada for bird watching.

Schedule To Be Announced Soon!

The mission of the Raincoast Education Society is to help shape an environmentally sustainable future for the Clayoquot and Barkley Sound region through education and community stewardship.

We are also working hard on our ongoing education and research programs!

A few highlights below, visit our [website](#) for more!



Raincoast Field School

Increasing outdoor learning opportunities for students in our local public schools.



Fukushima InFORM

Sea water sampling in Clayoquot Sound to monitor levels of radiation.



Shorebird Tracking

Researching the patterns of residency and habitat use in the Tofino area.



Ecology Tours

Guided walks to explore the diversity of flora and fauna in our region.

Thank you to everyone who supports the Raincoast Education Society.

We are very thankful for your commitment to our work. We would not be able to do it without each and every one of you.

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