

EDUCATORS' EVENING

Life at the Limits: Stories of Amazing Species

Friday, September 25, 2015

4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Join us on Friday, September 25 for an evening celebrating our latest exhibition *Life at the Limits: Stories of Amazing Species*. This is an opportunity for teachers to view the exhibition, hear from the curators, network with other educators, and gather resources on how to use the exhibit with their students.

Participants will receive Educator Guides and related activities that provide tools to align science content with **Common Core State Standards in ELA for reading and writing.**



Life at the Limits: Stories of Amazing Species explores the diverse and sometimes jaw-dropping strategies animals and plants employ to find food, fend off predators, reproduce, and thrive in habitats many would find inhospitable, even lethal.

The exhibition introduces visitors to bizarre mating calls, extraordinary examples of parasitism and mimicry, and other amazing means of survival, using specimens, videos, interactive exhibits, and models, including a climbable Hercules beetle. Live animals on display include the surprisingly powerful mantis shrimp; the jet-powered nautilus; and the axolotl, an entirely aquatic salamander that breathes through external gills.

Life at the Limits tells the stories of these and many more creatures across the tree of life—and their unusual approaches to the challenges of living on Earth.

Agenda

Please enter through the Central Park West Security entrance (use the ramp under the main staircase)

The event will take place in the Milstein Hall of Ocean Life

4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Sign in and Reception

Table Conversations

Welcome

Dr. Jim Short,
Director, Gottesman Center for Science Teaching and Learning

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Introduction to the Exhibition
Dr. Mark Siddall,
Curator, Dept. of Invertebrate Zoology

Dr. John Sparks,
Curator-in-charge, Dept. of Ichthyology

5:45 - 7:00 p.m. Visit the Exhibition
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