Welcome to VIMS Marine Science Day!

We are very excited to welcome you back to our campus this year! All VIMS activities, tours, and shuttle services are free.

Food available for purchase is indicated on the map. 🥗 Snacks are also available in the VIMS Gift Shop, along with great VIMS gifts and souvenirs.

Restrooms and nursing areas noted by icons 🚽🚼 next to location names.

Marine Life Costume Contest
Check in will be 10:30-10:45 am in Watermen’s Hall. Judging begins at 11:00 am with the parade around the circle, followed immediately by the awards ceremony in the McHugh Auditorium inside Watermen’s Hall.

VIMS Marine Science Day Artwork Contest
Congratulations to this year’s winners! The 2022 grand prize artwork is by Genesis Durst.

For the full list of winners, please join us at the Awards Ceremony in Watermen’s Hall immediately following the Costume Contest parade at 11:00 am or visit: vims.edu/msd

Special thanks to:
- Virginia Sea Grant
- Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve in Virginia (CBNERR-VA)
- Middle Peninsula Master Naturalists
- VIMS Marine Advisory Program
- Center for Coastal Resource Management
- VIMS Eastern Shore Lab
- VIMS Staff, Students, Faculty, & Volunteers
- VIMS supporters:

Find out more information about today’s sessions by going to the QR code (right) or visit vims.edu/msd
By the Clock
10:30-10:45 - Costume Contest Check-in
11:00-11:30 - Marine Life Costume Parade, Costume and Art Contest Awards Ceremony
12:00-1:00 - Seafood Cooking Demo; by Wade O’Neill, Culinary Arts Faculty with Hampton City Schools. Seating is limited.
1:10-1:20 - 10 Minute Talk: Get Hooked: Tagging Data Shows Us Important Marsh Habitat for Recreational Fishes with Susanna Musick
1:30-1:40 - 10 Minute Talk: Build-A-Reef: Where Oysters are Made with Jainita Patel
1:30-2:30 - Seafood Cooking Demo; by Wade O’Neill, Culinary Arts Faculty with Hampton City Schools. Seating is limited.
1:50-2:00 - 10 Minute Talk: Have You Ever Seen a Ghost (Forest)? with Grace Molino
2:10-2:20 - 10 Minute Talk: Project Oyster Reef: Studying the Bay with Community Science with Anna Caputo
2:30-2:50 - Inside the School of Marine Science with John Griffin

Exhibits and Activities
- Chesapeake Bay Blue Crabs
- Inside the School of Marine Science
- VIMS Visitors Center
- VIMS Gift Shop

Walking Distances:
Watermen’s Hall to Carl Hershner Teaching Marsh: 0.4 mile.
Carl Hershner Teaching Marsh to VIMS Beach Walkway: 0.2 mile.

Shuttle buses leave from all shuttle stops approximately every 10 minutes.