CENTER FOR COMMUNITY AND CITIZEN SCIENCE

CCS Collabinar

The Role of Community and Citizen Science (CCS) in California's Marine Protected Areas

About the presentation:

The MPA Collaborative Network strives to assist coastal communitiies through encoruaging ocean stewardship, civic engagement, and sustainability of our nature and social environments. Nicole Palma, the Network's Program Manager, will describe the role of community and citizen science in this broader mission.

Topics to be discussed:

- How the MPA Collaborative Network encourages civic engagement in local resource management through a unique model of collaboration.
- How the MPA Collaborative Network contributes to MPA management through Community and Citizen Science.
- Leveraging an established coast-wide network of volunteer stakeholders and partners to launch and support Community and Citizen Science projects.
- Engaging collaborative members in sub-tidal biodiversity data collection using mini-Remotely Operated Vehicles (ROVs), an AGU Thriving Earth Exchange Community Science Project.

The **CCS Collabinar** invites our friends from across the globe to bring us their most important challenges and opportunities in community and citizen science. Each event supports mutual learning, and advances projects and partnerships

Presenter:

Nicole Palma is the Program Manager for the Marine Protected Area (MPA) Collaborative Network where she acts as a synergist between on-the-ground stakeholders and state managing agencies to support MPA management. Her background is in Exploration Science which combines scientific research theory and field skills with outreach and education platforms to allow people of all backgrounds and abilities to engage with the scientific process. Nicole enjoys working at the intersection of education, research, conservation, and resource management through Community and Citizen Science and technology.

Monday, March 7 11-12 pm PST

To participate online, please RSVP: https://forms.gle/YMTjZ U3DxBYoirJi9