



WHY ARE EELGRASS MEADOWS IMPORTANT?

The Significance of Marine Habitat Availability

Eelgrass is a critical habitat for many marine species, including scallops, a declining oyster population. The since the 1980s, eelgrass has been planted at restoration nurseries, and

Our water quality program, mis

Our researchers and educators are busy working to inform Long Islanders how we can each do our part to safeguard our environment. Projects have been designed to bring back our eelgrasses and once thriving shell fish populations, provide public education about environmental consequences of storm water runoff, and introduce our young people to marine sciences and marine life on Long Island.



Top 5 Reasons To Join Us At Our Annual SOS Celebration This Saturday!

In addition to helping support Cornell Cooperative Extension's efforts to restore our ecologically important eelgrass meadows, here are a few more reasons you may want to join us in support of our bays this Saturday at the South Fork Natural History Museum in Bridgehampton from 5-8pm!

5. Peconic Bay Scallops

Scallop season opened on Monday, and we'll have an abundance of these wonderful mollusks for you to enjoy. They'll be harvested and shucked on Friday, then cooked to order just for you on Saturday. It doesn't get much fresher, or better, than that!

4. The Musical Stylings of TERRA FIRMA

From Motown to Reggae, these guys have it covered. You may have heard them around the Hamptons bar scene, but if not, you will not be disappointed. Be sure to wear your dancing shoes!

3. Peconic Pride Oysters

Yes, once again Howard Pickerell's finest Peconic Pride Oysters will be gracing our raw bar. Renowned dining establishments such as the

American Hotel, Topping Rose House, and The Maidstone have featured these top notch oysters on their menus, and we will have plenty for you to partake in!

2. Craft Beer, Local Wine, Hot Cider

Montauk Brewing Company, Channing Daughters and Wolffer Estate are providing their finest selections for our enjoyment. We'll have some seasonal cider brewing, and plenty of other beverage offerings as well.

1. A Chance to Celebrate at SoFo

The South Fork Natural History Museum (SoFo) is a truly special place. The museum brings nature indoors, and a walk through the museum is like taking an interpretive nature hike. Once you make your way outside to our heated Sperry Tent with beautiful views of the grounds, you will enjoy some of the region's best seafood, wine, beer, and music-making this event one not to miss!



	<p>JOIN US AT OUR 3RD ANNUAL SAVE OUR SEAGRASS CELEBRATION</p> 	
	<p>TO BENEFIT CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION'S MARINE MEADOWS PROGRAM</p>	
	<p>NOVEMBER 8, 2014 5PM-8PM SOUTH FORK NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM (SoFo) BRIDGEHAMPTON, NY</p>	
<p>FRESHLY HARVESTED BAY SCALLOPS CRAFT BEER LOCAL WINE LIVE MUSIC RAW BAR FEATURING LOCAL CLAMS AND OYSTERS</p>		
<p>ALL FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT UNDER A HEATED TENT ON THE BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS OF SoFo TICKETS & SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT MARINEMEADOWS.ORG IN PERSON AT SoFo, OR BY CALLING 631-727-7850 EXT. 326</p>		

SOS CELEBRATION HOSTED BY SoFo TO BENEFIT CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION'S MARINE MEADOWS PROGRAM. PROCEEDS WILL DIRECTLY SUPPORT MARINE HABITAT RESTORATION IN OUR LOCAL BAYS AND ALLOW FOR TWO MARINE MEADOWS WORKSHOPS TO BE OFFERED AT SoFo IN 2015.

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