50 Years of Ocean Science for a Better World®



2021 marks the 50th Anniversary of our relentless pursuit of Ocean Science for a Better World[®]. Founded in the spirit of ocean exploration, Florida Atlantic University Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute is driven by a rich history of world-class research dedicated to marine ecosystem conservation, ocean and human health, aquaculture innovation and food security, technological innovation and national defense.

Join us as we mark our 50th Anniversary with a series of special events:

Mission: Ocean Discovery 50th Anniversary Outreach Program Series

Nov. 1, 2021 - April 30, 2022

Ocean Discovery Visitors Center, Fort Pierce Special historical content will be highlighted during behind-the-scenes tours presented by experts and in new exhibitions.

Celebrating 50 Years of Ocean Science for a Better World® - An Exhibition

Nov. 1, 2021 - April 30, 2022

Elliott Museum, Stuart

A one-of-a-kind exhibition that highlights our rich history, current research and features our famed Johnson-Sea-Link submersible.

FAU Harbor Branch Mini-Lecture Series

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021, 7 p.m.

Elliott Museum, Stuart

"Celebrating 50 Years of Ocean Science

for a Better World®"

Jim Masterson, Ph.D., assistant research professor, FAU Harbor Branch

Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2021, 7 p.m.

Elliott Museum, Stuart

"Deep Sea Discoveries and Adventures - Highlights of Dives with the Johnson-Sea-Link Submersibles" John Reed, M.Sc., research professor, FAU Harbor Branch

Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2022, 7 p.m.

Elliott Museum, Stuart

"Algal Blooms in Florida's Coastal

and Inland Waters"

Malcolm McFarland, Ph.D., research associate, FAU Harbor Branch

Learn more & Register fau.edu/hboi/50

Celebrating 50 Years of Ocean Science

for a Better World® Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Thursday, Dec. 9, 2021

FAU Fort Lauderdale Campus

"Power from the Gulf Stream - The Potential and Challenges of Developing Blue Energy" William Baxley, M.A., PE, chief engineer, Southeast National Marine Renewable Energy Center

Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022

FAU Boca Campus

"FAU Harbor Branch - 50 Years of Ocean Science for a Better World®"

Jim Sullivan, Ph.D., executive director, FAU Harbor Branch

Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022

FAU Harbor Branch, Fort Pierce 50 Years of Ocean Science for a Better World® Campus Tour

Celebrating 50 Years of Ocean Science Lecture Series

Wednesdays, Jan. 12 - April 6, 2022, 4 and 7 p.m. Visit fau.edu/hboi/50 for schedule and to register. FAU Harbor Branch, Fort Pierce

Featuring speakers and presentation topics that highlight the Institute's historic events and signature research programs that contribute to ocean science on a global scale.

Indian River Lagoon Symposium 2022

Thursday, Feb. 17, and Friday, Feb. 18, 2022 The Indian River Lagoon (IRL) Symposium is a multiinstitutional effort to provide a public forum to discuss science and its application to the management of the lagoon.

