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N.C. Coastal Federation Offers Free Coastal Engagement Programs

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH -The N.C. Coastal Federation is offering free weekly, drop-in programs throughout the summer and into the fall that will provide visitors with an up-close look at and understanding of coastal habitats and processes without getting their feet wet! These entertaining and educational sessions will take place every Tuesday and Thursday, rain or shine, at the Fred and Alice Stanback Coastal Education Center in Wrightsville Beach.

Touch Tank Tuesdays are teeming with live creatures found within our local estuaries-- blue crabs, sea urchins, whelks, fish, sea squirts, and more. Stop by to see, touch and even hold them (gently)-if you dare! This exciting hands-on program is entertaining for both kids and adults, whether you're looking to get your hands wet or just want to observe and learn about some of the creatures that are found in our local waters.

Where: 309 W. Salisbury Street Wrightsville Beach

When: Every Tuesday, June, July, and August. Drop in anytime 10:00AM - 1:00PM

Cost: FREE

Coastal Discovery Thursdays are hands-on educational programs, jam-packed with activities focused on having fun while learning about our coast, and discovering amazing aspects of our estuarine habitats and creature using microscopes and aquariums, plus cool coastal encounters. Coastal federation educators will be on hand to lead the activities, share fascinating features and fun facts about the N.C. coast. Coastal Discovery Thursdays is sponsored by the Holiday Inn Resort in Wrightsville Beach.

Where: 309 W. Salisbury Street Wrightsville Beach

When: Every Thursday, June through November. Drop in anytime 1:00PM - 3:00PM

Cost: FREE

These weekly free, drop-in programs will help kids of all ages gain personal experience with our incredible local coastal inhabitants and resources. Contact our office today or visit nccoast.org/events to find out more about these one-of-a-kind events!

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