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NOAA's Monitor National Marine Sanctuary honors student film festival winners

The winners of the first annual *One Ocean* Student Film Festival will be honored on Saturday, April 13, 2013, at the North Carolina Maritime Museum in Beaufort, N.C. Films promoting ocean conservation were submitted by middle and high schools in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. The film festival is free and open to the public.

What: One Ocean Student Film Festival

When: Saturday, April 13 10am to 3:30pm

Where: North Carolina Maritime Museum 315 Front Street Beaufort, N.C. 28516

Winners:

1 to 5 Minute Micro-Short Film Category 1st Place: JiSung Seo, Jung Huh, Amelia Malone *Raising Awareness*

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology Alexandria, Va.

2nd Place (tie):

Alyssa Graham & Karleigh Smith Pine Knoll Shores Aquarium Newport Middle School Newport, N.C.

5 to 12 Minute Short Film Category 1st **Place:** Sallie Hutson & Ellinor Walters *Human Connections* Ashley Hall Charleston, S.C.

Terrell Moore, Patri Marquez, Halle Lipov & Molly Davis *How are You Connected to the Ocean?* Ashley Hall Charleston, S.C.

First place films receive \$300 and second place films receive \$100. A *People's Choice Award* will also be determined and awarded at the film festival. All prizes are provided by the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation.

The site of the USS *Monitor* shipwreck was designated Monitor National Marine Sanctuary in January 1975. Creation of the sanctuary, located 16 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras, N.C., has helped ensure the long-term protection of the wreck site of the famed Civil War ironclad for all generations.

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