**News Release**

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Don't miss out on Aquarium After Hours

Aquarium After Hours is a first-ever event added to the 11th Annual Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival to be held Nov. 6-11 in northeastern North Carolina in locations along the Outer Banks. What could be more perfect than a day of birding, paddling or learning a new skill? Only a day ending with an after-hours social at the North Carolina Aquarium on Roanoke Island! Participants may tour the entire Aquarium while sipping a glass of wine or soda and munching a little cheese and fruit, while enjoying this exclusive event accessible only to those who register in advance. Cost for this private, two-hour social and tour set for 7-9 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 10, is just $10.

Alligators, snakes, fishes of all sorts, and even a few mammals found along the coast are just some of the critters that call this facility home. The Graveyard of the Atlantic tank is a favorite with visitors who are in awe of the sharks that lazily swim through the water.

The Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival is sponsored by the US Fish and Wildlife Service, Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce, Carolina Bird Club, the Coastal Wildlife Refuge Society, Roanoke Island Festival Park and the Outer Banks Sentinel.

For more information about programs and registration, visit www.wingsoverwater.org; or call the Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce at 252-441-8144. Registration is underway and early sign-up is recommended.