

## Student Award Winners



Six VIMS graduate students were recognized for their presentations during the Estuarine Research Federation's Annual Meeting in Norfolk, Virginia in October. Malcolm Scully received third place in the graduate student competition for his talk on turbulent mixing in estuaries. Jessie Campbell won an honorable mention for her talk on the ecological factors affecting sea-grass germination. David Gillett, Grace Henderson, Frank Parker, and Adriana Veloza were recognized as among the top 50 student presenters. Back row from L to R: Parker, Gillett, and Scully. Front row from L to R: Henderson, Veloza, and Campbell.

VIMS graduate students Amanda Spivak (L) and Chris Long (R) have won highly competitive fellowships from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to support their studies. Spivak, a Ph.D. candidate advised by Drs. Elizabeth Canuel and Emmett Duffy, won a 3-year STAR fellowship in support of her study of how biodiversity affects carbon cycling in seagrass beds. Long, a Ph.D. candidate advised by Dr. Rochelle Seitz, won a 3-year Greater Research Opportunities fellowship to support his study of how low oxygen levels affect an important Chesapeake Bay clam. The STAR and GRO fellowships support masters and doctoral students in environmentally related fields. The EPA awards approximately 100 fellowships per year, from more than 1,000 applicants around the nation.



## Calendar of Events

### February 2006

- 10 Spring Seminar Series - "Biological Stoichiometry in Ecology and Evolution," Jim Elser, Arizona State Univ.
- 11 9th Annual Blue Crab Bowl (ODU)
- 15 Application deadline for NSF-REU Summer Intern Program

### March 2006

- 3 Spring Seminar Series - "Tropical Marine Biodiversity," Nancy Knowlton, Scripps Institute of Oceanography
- 4-12 Spring Break
- 17 Spring Seminar Series - "Viruses in Marine Ecosystems: Vaccines and Ecology," Jo-Ann Leong, Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology

### April 2006

- 14 Video Lecture and Book Signing with Guy Harvey
- 15 VIMS Art Show and Auction "Angling for Art" featuring Guy Harvey
- 21 Spring Seminar Series - "Measuring and Modeling Fine Sediment Erosion," Larry Sanford, Univ. of Maryland

### Future Events

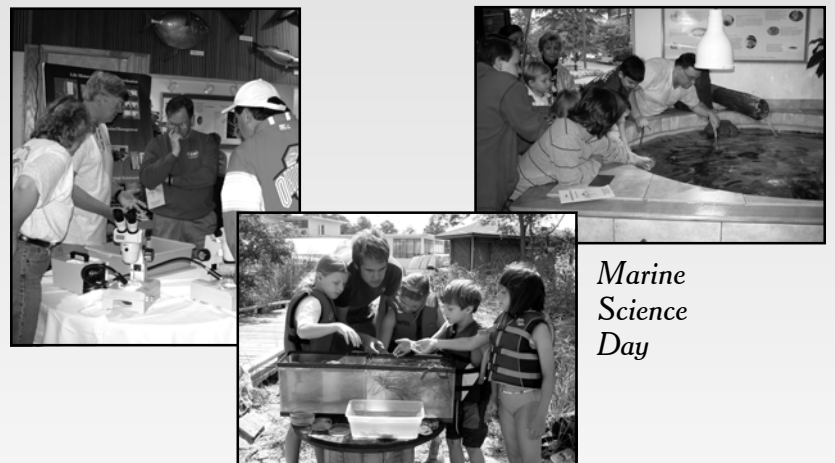
VIMS Marine Science Day - May 20th

Public Tours - every Friday June through August

After Hours Lectures - the last Thursday of the month, June through November

Summer Saturdays - selected Saturdays July - August

VIMS' Raft-Up is scheduled for September 29, 30



Marine Science Day

For an up-to-date listing of public events and seminars at VIMS, visit the on-line calendar system at [www.vims.edu/calendars/](http://www.vims.edu/calendars/)

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