

**Amateur Naturalist Challenge**

## Background

Are you a budding photographer or movie maker with a passion for Victoria’s stunning marine and coastal environments and its inhabitants? Now is your time to shine! Make a short movie or visual presentation and submit it to our amateur naturalist challenge.

We’re running a contest for budding presenters to share their stories about Victoria’s marine and coastal environment as part of Coastcare Victoria’s next Summer by the Sea program.

Presentations could include profiling a group that’s doing some great work, sharing a story about your local or favourite spot. Other ideas include creature features, educational pieces on local ecosystems, local project highlights, cultural or historical knowledge or conservation efforts.

## Prize: Our favourite video will be showcased as part of the 2022 Summer by the Sea program and include professional production editing, closed captions, transcripts and translations in multiple languages.

[Click here](https://www.marineandcoasts.vic.gov.au/coastal-programs/Coastcare-Victoria/useful-links-for-volunteers) and on the ‘education’ tab to scroll through ‘Highlights of Summer by the Sea’ for some inspiration from last year’s program.

## Terms and Conditions:

* Content duration: maximum 5 minutes
* Maximum file size: 2GB
* Victorian Coastal or Marine topic
* All content needs to be submitted to Coastcare Victoria [coastcare.victoria@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:coastcare.victoria@delwp.vic.gov.au) via [WeTransfer](https://wetransfer.com/) by 5pm Monday 10 January 2022
* Content submitted for contest and showcased will be hosted on Summer by the Sea website and promoted through other relevant channels during the last week of the 2022 program
* Content should be new/not already distributed (though can use imagery you already have edited for a new presentation)
* All people featuring in video must have given their [consent](https://www.environment.vic.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0016/511432/ParticipantPhotographyConsentForm.pdf) to be included (parents/guardians for under 16s).
* All content should be recorded following COVIDSafe guidelines: <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covidsafe-settings>
* Please ensure not to disturb wildlife or their habitats while filming e.g. beach nesting birds

For any queries, please direct them to Jacqui Pocklington [coastcare.victoria@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:coastcare.victoria@delwp.vic.gov.au) 0417 463 532