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LOCAL ARTISTS HELP SAVE MARINE ANIMALS THROUGH MUSIC “Songs for the Sea” promises to excite and inspire

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Local songstress Grace Morrison loves sea turtles and other ocean animals. Concerned about the number of strandings on Cape Cod and Southeastern Massachusetts, and the need for a hospital to care for these animals, she decided to help. She gathered a group of friends and came up with the idea of a benefit concert – our very own “Sea Aid” – to help the National Marine Life Center build their new marine wildlife hospital in Buzzards Bay.

Songs for the Sea Benefit Concert Details:

Date: Saturday, June 12, 2010 (rain date June 13)

Time: 12 noon to 5 pm

Cost: FREE, donations welcome

Entitled “Songs for the Sea”, the concert will feature Daniel Byrnes, Matt Borrello, the Carl Wood Band, Gary Fish, Buddy Barrows, and Jenna Paone along with Ms. Morrison. Additional entertainment includes Will Hunter with balloons and magic, Kat Jones with henna art, and graphic designer Kelly O’Keefe with “Songs for the Sea” coloring designs. The National Marine Life Center will also have a booth at the event with information, animal artifacts, and marine life tattoos.

“Grace’s music is so wonderful, and I was thrilled when she approached us with her idea for a benefit concert,” exclaimed Kathy Zagzebski, President and Executive Director of the National Marine Life Center. “It’s been neat to see the outpouring of community support for the event. It promises to be a really fun day!”

The community has stepped in to help, donating everything from gift certificates for giveaways to t-shirts to bottles and cans redeemed to cover miscellaneous event expenses. Donors so far include: Music of the Bay in East Wareham, Cup 2 in East Wareham, Olde Maids Inc., Sewnsational, Artisana in Onset, 99 Restaurant in Wareham, Bruce Gannon (Pheonix Photography), and Anthony Shetler.

Additional information may be found at the event website, songsforthesea.org, or at the National Marine Life Center’s website, www.nmlc.org.

The National Marine Life Center is an independent, non-profit marine animal hospital, science, and education center dedicated to rehabilitating for release stranded sea turtles, seals, dolphins, porpoises, and small whales, and to advancing scientific knowledge and education in marine wildlife health and conservation. The Center is building a new marine animal hospital that will advance their ability to restore life to the ocean.

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