The Art and Science of Seaweed!

Join us for a fantastic evening of seaweed stories. Meet award winning artist and author Josie Iselin and UBC professor and seaweed scientist Dr. Patrick Martone to learn about how their passion for seaweed has led them both to the intersection of Art and Science.



Josie Iselin's writing and art focusing on seaweed and kelp has put her at the forefront of ocean activism, presenting and working with scientists, other artists, and environmental groups working to preserve the kelp forests of our Pacific Coast. For over twenty years Josie has used her flatbed scanner and computer exclusively for generating imagery. She is still captivated by the fluidity with which this technique allows her to render and design with three-dimensional objects.

Dr. Patrick Martone is a professor and phycologist in the Botany Department at the University of British Columbia (UBC). Research in his lab focuses on the biology and biodiversity of seaweeds. Patrick is passionate about teaching the wonders of seaweed, inspiring hundreds of students at UBC and the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre. He has developed a mobile app that helps users identify more than 100 local seaweed species. Patrick is also the President of the Phycological Society of America.



(enjoy a cocktail from the Strait and Narrow and

delicious nibbles from The Farmer's Daughter)

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