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Point Reyes National Seashore
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Ocean Lecture Series

RICHARD ELLIS “Tuna: A Love Story”

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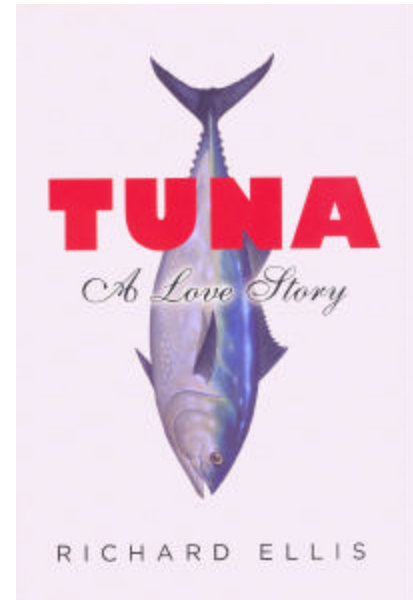
Wednesday, April 16, 2008

7:00 – 8:30 pm

Guzman Lecture Hall

Dominican University in San Rafael

Richard Ellis is a marine biologist, celebrated artist, and author of sixteen books, including *Great White Shark*, *Encyclopedia of the Sea*, and *The Empty Ocean*. Ellis turns his gaze now to tuna – one of the biggest, fastest, and most highly evolved of marine animals and the source of some of the world’s most popular delicacies – now hovering on the brink of extinction. In his lecture, Richard Ellis will discuss the natural history of tuna, sport-fishing, commercial (over)fishing, Japanese fish markets, consumption of sushi, tuna farming, mercury in tuna, and what can be done to save this imperiled species. Richard Ellis is a research associate at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City, and has written and illustrated articles for numerous magazines, including *Audubon*, *National Geographic*, *Discover*, *Smithsonian*, and *Scientific American*.



GEOFF SHESTER Earth Day Lecture

Scientist

Saturday, April 19, 2008

4:00 – 5:00 pm

Bear Valley Visitor Center

Point Reyes National Seashore

“Collaborative Research to Promote Sustainable Fishing Communities in Baja California, Mexico”

Geoff Shester is a Ph.D. candidate at Stanford University in the Interdisciplinary Program in Environment and Resources. A dynamic and engaging speaker, Geoff Shester will talk about the marine ecosystem, human activity and conservation and then dive into his own research on the environmental, social, and economic influences on the sustainability of small-scale, cooperative fisheries along the Pacific Coast of Baja California, Mexico. Geoff Shester also works on many other different projects, such as modeling the Hawaiian precious coral fishery and policy for sea turtle conservation with Oceana. Before coming to Stanford five years ago, Geoff studied the behavioral ecology of amphibians in the Costa Rican cloud forest, led environmental education programs in Monterey Bay and the Canadian Wilderness, interned with the Exxon-Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, and worked in Alaska as a conservation coordinator for Oceana.



Point Reyes National Seashore Earth Day kicks off with a Giacomini wetlands restoration planting from 11:00am – 3:00pm. For information and to RSVP, contact Lorraine Parsons at (415) 464- 5193.

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Brown Bag Talks feature scientists who do research at Point Reyes National Seashore.

Tuesday
April 15, 2008
12:00 pm

Rick Starr & Allison Green
Moss Landing Marine Labs
“Species Composition and Movements of Nearshore Fishes
from a Tag- Recapture Study near Bolinas”
Red Barn Classroom

Thursday
May 15, 2008
12:00 pm

Heidi Weiskel
Ph.D. Candidate, UC Davis
“Nutrients and Benthic Invasion Dynamics in Northern
California Estuaries”
Red Barn Classroom

Thursday
May 29, 2008
12:00 pm

Marian Parker
M.S. Candidate, Sonoma State University
“Recruitment and Reproductive Output of Barnacles along
the Marin and Sonoma Coasts”
Red Barn Classroom