

# National Marine Educators Association 2005 Annual Conference

## Coral Reef and Reef Fish Ecology Workshop

July 7–10, 2005



This workshop will familiarize K-12 teachers and informal educators with Hawaii's coral reef ecosystem, with a particular emphasis on reef fishes. This field-intensive, three-night, four day workshop will include investigations at some of Maui's most beautiful reefs, and training in the Reef Environmental Education Foundation's (REEF, [www.reef.org](http://www.reef.org)) fish survey method. There will also be a snorkel charter to the world-famous Molokini crater and the island of Lana'i, and a nighttime reef excursion is also planned to coincide with the annual coral spawning event.



The cost of \$630 will include: lodging from July 3–17, Maui, meals, ground and boat transportation, and instruction. Participants will also receive a REEF Hawaii Starter Kit and a CD consisting of materials and resources that will assist teachers in implementing many of the themes of discussion within their own educational context.

Lodging will be at Camp Pecusa, Olowalu (<http://www.maui.net/~norm/pecusa.html>) adjacent to a beautiful coral reef. There are six A-frame cabins with cots with foam mattresses. Participants will need to bring their own bedding such as a tropic-weight sleeping bag or sheet with lightweight blanket. Transportation will be provided during the workshop; however participants will need to arrange for their own transportation for the NMEA Conference at the conclusion of the workshop.

It is recommended that participants bring their own snorkel gear, but arrangements can be made to rent gear for an additional fee. The cost will be \$20-30 for a week's rental of mask, fins and snorkel. Please indicate if you will need gear at the time of registration, and provide your shoe size.

The workshop's instructors are Donna Brown and Liz Foote. Donna Brown has been active for more than a decade in monitoring coral reefs in Hawai'i. She is the coordinator of the Marine Option Program at Maui Community College, an undergraduate program focusing on experiential education in the marine environment. Liz Foote is the founder and Executive Director of the nonprofit organization Project S.E.A.-Link, which coordinates marine education programs and community-based coral reef monitoring efforts on Maui. Liz has been actively involved in various marine science and education projects in Florida, the Caribbean, the West Coast, and Hawai'i.

