



Boston Reefers Society
Celebrating 22 years as a 501c3 Non Profit

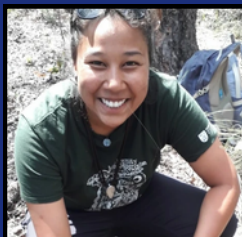
Mission Statement

The purposes of the Boston Reefers Society are:

1. To promote interest in and enjoyment of all aspects of the marine aquarium hobby.
2. To educate the public on topics related to the biology, physiology, and chemistry of reef biotopes through the sponsorship of meetings, lectures, publications, websites, competitions, exhibits and other means.
3. To provide a forum for sharing resources and information among local aquarium enthusiasts.
4. To support research, education and conservation efforts aimed at improving marine and coral reef environments
5. To involve and educate young people about aquatic life and the aquarium hobby.
6. To foster camaraderie, friendship, and appreciation of aquatic life.

Introducing 2023 Joseph A. Venuti Jr. Scholarship Recipient: Erika Cabell

University of Hawaii at Manoa
Doctoral degree program
(PhD, MD, JD, etc.)



Scan the QR code below to read Erika's winning Essay:



I am incredibly driven and motivated in fulfilling my role in today's fight against climate change. I believe that the best way I can give back to my community and help protect our natural world is through research and application.

As a marine biology Ph.D. student, I am going to investigate the stress response of an endemic soft coral to anthropogenic and climate change-induced stressors. Additionally, I hope to analyze the relationship between this soft coral and its symbiotic algae to understand why it doesn't bleach like much of our reef-building corals.

I hope to break down the relationship between the octocoral species and its symbiont community to understand the underlying mechanisms preventing the soft coral from bleaching. I hope that any new information can then be used to inform practices or develop techniques that may delay or prevent bleaching in our reef-building corals.

I intend to maximize the conservation potential of my project in whatever way possible. After graduating from Mānoa, I hope to serve as a conservation biologist. Professionally, my goal is to not remain limited to either marine or terrestrial realm, but rather integrate understanding from both and investigate community dynamics and interactions that may be relevant to the battle against climate change. I am a great candidate because I have a diverse range of experiences in various environments--demonstrating flexibility, determination, and the ability to work well with others regardless of the barrier.



FragGIVING 2024



Toppsfield & Fair

209 Boston St. Topsfield Ma.

November 9th 2024
10:30-5:00PM

32 Vendors
Speaker Sessions

Event Itinerary

Open Market
10:30-5:00PM (Coolidge Hall)

Event Speaker

Marc Levinson: **Reef Pests in a Captive Aquarium**

11:00-12:00 (Bee Building)

Event Speaker

Richard Ross: **Philosophy of Reef Keeping Methods**

12:30-1:30 (Bee Building)

Venuti Scholarship Award

Erika Cabell & Andrew Sandler
1:30-2:00 (Coolidge Hall)

Event Speaker

Chis Meckley: **The Evolution of ACI Aquaculture**

2:00-3:00 (Bee Building)

Event Speaker

Andrew Sandler: **Evolution of Polo Reef & Reef Medicine** - Featuring Alex Hall @thereefvet

3:00-4:00PM (Bee Building)

Raffle

4:00-5:00 (Bee Building)

Vendor Directory

Vendor Name / (Booth #)

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5th Alarm Corals (9)
All Things Aquatics (15)
Aussie Aquariums (19)
Bull Reef Aquaculture (44)
Boston Reefers (Coolidge Hall Foyer)
Backwood Reefs (13,21)
Capital Corals (33)
Champion Lighting & Supply (Kitchen)
Chandlerrocks Aquascaping (37,38)
Classic Corals (5)
Corals Unlimited (7,8)
Crazy Corals (42,43)
Daniel Connor Corals (3)
Dinkins Aquatics (23)
Frank's Frags (10)
Frag Farm Corals (20)
FragFather (28)
JB Reef Aquatics (12)
Joe's Fishy Business (39)
Marc Fishtank (16)
NEMO (31)
Out East Reefs (18)
Polo Reef by Andrew Sandler (1,2)
POP Corals (40,41)
Pristine Marine (29-30)
Reef Breeders (6)
ReefBum (4)
Reef Exclusive (24,25,26)
Seachem (32)
Son and Sand (27)
The FragFather (20)
The Ugly Reef (17)
TUSI Corals (11)
Venuti Scholarship (Kitchen)
WellTankGoodness (22,14)
Wet Pets (34,35)

The Joseph A. Venuti Jr.
Marine Science & Conservation Scholarship



Joe was an early mentor & supporter of the Boston Reefers Society. As a pioneer in the Greater-Boston marine scene, his business supplied ornamental fish to the New England Aquarium and many others on the east coast. Joe facilitated introductions to key figures in the industry.

Beyond his connection to the industry, Joe was the first one to administer new advice to the budding hobbyist and set the course for the Boston Reefers Society as an educational organization.

This scholarship seeks to honor the life of Joseph A. Venuti by supporting aspiring marine science students so they can cover their educational expenses.