

Edinburgh Science Festival 2019 – A Human Touch

If you go down to Holyrood you will see a huge selection of images both outside and inside the parliament building showing the human impact on our planet.

This is part of Edinburgh Science Festival which runs from 6-21 April 2019. It is a daily free drop in exhibition and will be in place until 8 May 2019.



Oceana's Communications Director Marta Madina, centre with Presiding Officer of The Scottish Parliament, Ken Macintosh MSP and Edinburgh Science Festival Creative Director Amanda Tyndall

The exhibition is sponsored by Oceana an international ocean conservation organisation which conducts research in the sea. They know all about the impact that people have particularly from plastic.

Marta Madina, Communications Director at Oceana told us : "We are happy to be one of the sponsors of this. It gives us the opportunity to show what is going on in the deep oceans. It is difficult to find out much unless you are a diver or a

scientist. So we wanted to show and share with everyone the main threats that the oceans are facing today.”



Oceana's Communications Director Marta Madina (right), Presiding Officer of The Scottish Parliament, Ken Macintosh MSP and Edinburgh Science Festival Creative Director Amanda Tyndall

This is one of the highlights of the Edinburgh Science Festival which offers things to see and do for children and adults alike during the Easter Holidays. This year the theme is Frontiers, a theme adopted with a nod to the 50th anniversary of the Moon Landing in 1969. Through the programme of events they hope to take you exploring uncharted territories of life and the universe.

Amanda Tyndall, Festival and Creative Director said: “It’s important for Edinburgh Science to bring thought provoking science-themed content to wide and diverse audiences and partnering with Scottish Parliament and Oceana provides a wonderful opportunity to do just that. The photographers featured in this exhibition have travelled far and wide to

examine the fragility of Earth's varied landscapes and to capture beautiful and powerful images that we hope will make audiences take a moment to consider our impacts on our world but take away a sense of hope that things are not beyond repair."

Oceana will present Exploring the Deep on 6 April as one of the openign events with an expert panel hosted by Dr Diva Amon. Dr Amon is a marine biologist from Trinidad who specialises in deep sea biology. He will talk about their deep sea adventures and the future of deep oceans.

For full programme of Edinburgh Science Festival events visit: www.sciencefestival.co.uk/whats-on



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The exhibition is free and will be available to view until 8 May