

To: Captain & Crew
From: Liz Foote, Project S.E.A.-Link
Subject: Volunteer Program



Kānaka Mālama Kai (“Ocean Caretakers”) is a volunteer program developed by Project S.E.A.-Link, a nonprofit organization on Maui. The goal of the program is to preserve and protect Maui’s reefs by educating our visitors and residents.

The volunteers have completed a series of training workshops and have been volunteering as “roving marine naturalists” at shore-based snorkel sites around Maui, and are now being placed aboard snorkel tour charters to assist with marine education and interpretation. They have been instructed to assume a low-key, informal role onboard your vessel, and interact with passengers in an unobtrusive manner. They have educational materials with them such as books and photos, which they may share with your guests. It would be great if you could introduce them in the morning as a marine naturalist volunteer who’s there to answer passengers’ questions.

The General Manager of your company has approved this program, but it is of course up to the captain and crew to determine the volunteers’ role aboard your vessel. They understand that the operations of the vessel and safety of the passengers is the primary responsibility of the captain and crew, and will defer to you on all matters. The volunteers are available as educators to whatever extent you feel is appropriate.

If you have any questions, please call me at 669-9062 (home/office) or 283-1631 (mobile).

Aloha & Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Liz Foote". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Liz Foote, Executive Director, Project S.E.A.-Link