

# MONTEREY COUNTY WEEKLY

EDITOR'S PICK

## 9th Annual Whalefest Monterey at Fisherman's Wharf

Saturday, January 26th, 2019 @ 10:00 am

[Fisherman's Wharf](#)

Free

<http://montereywharf.com>



How do we love the whales? Let us count the ways, via this two-day (Jan. 26-27), fun and educational smorgasbord. Local organizations bring 44 marine-related exhibits. Speakers are coming to stock a two-day symposium from the Monterey National Marine Sanctuary/NOAA, MBARI, Hopkins Marine Station, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey Bay Fisheries. Dee, a 43-foot inflatable whale that people can step inside to observe its internal organs and take selfies

with. Five boats are moored at the California Dock for tours including an NOAA research ship (Saturday only), the Whale Entanglement Team rescue boat and a 43-foot Coast Guard boat. Abalone races (maybe the most intriguing of all this intrigue) in front of Abalonetti Bar and Grill. Japanese gyutaku fish stenciling demo. Historian Tim Thomas giving free walking/talking tours 11am and 2pm starting at Harbor House, whale merchandise, discounted boat trips. That's a whole lot of whale love. (Parking is recommended at the downtown East or West garages.)  
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