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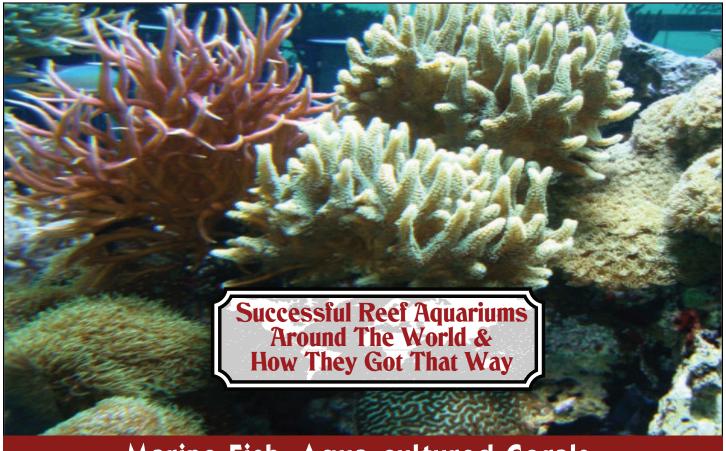
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# FRIDAY, MARCH 9 @ 7:30 PM THE BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY PRESENTS

## TONY VARGAS

AUTHOR, LECTURER, AQUATIC PHOTOGRAPHER



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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



appy Birthday, Brooklyn Aquarium Society! February 14th is our birthday when we turn 101 years old. We had a great time at our birthday party with a beautiful fish birthday cake. We had a special birthday gift with several member-

ships through Amazon Local. Many new members signed up using that unique method.

For our 101th Birthday event, we had **Peter Warny** as our guest speaker. Pete's topic for the evening was "Visiting Various City & State Aquaria." Peter's talk went into environmental pollutants and what they do to fish, turtles and frogs. He also discussed many ways to combat the detrimental effects of pollution. Peter travels around the country to assist Health and Wildlife centers identify and battle water and ground pollutants. It was a real eye opener for us and we thank him for informing us of these problems.

Next month our guest speaker is an old favorite; Tony Vargas! Tony is an author, lecturer & aquatic photographer. His topic for our March 9th event will be "Successful Reef Aquariums Around The World & How They Got That Way." Tony has a new book out entitled, "The Coral Reef Aquarium: From Inception to Completion." Purchase it through our website and get a nice discount. The book sells for \$45 at Drs. Fosters & Smith; via the BAS website, it's \$33.71. Once purchased, bring it into the event and Tony will autograph it for you. So come on down and meet with us on March 9 at 7:30 PM. As always, there is free parking and free refreshments We will be planning a bus trip to Long

Island Aquarium & Exhibition Center, Riverhead, NY. We are looking at Saturday July 28, 2012. Anyone interested in attending should please let me know at the March event.

I am asking for your help and support. If you want to see different speakers or try different things, please let me know. The elected officials of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society are here to serve YOU! Please let us know what you want and why. It would be helpful to everyone. It is important that you visit and patronize our sponsors. It goes full circle, by helping them, they are also helping you as hobbyists and everyone is helping the Brooklyn Aquarium Society, so help us, help you!

For more info please call our BAS Hotline at (718) 837-4455, or visit our modern website at WWW.BROOKLYNAQUARIUMSOCIETY.ORG.

On a more personal note - Any member who desires to attend a Board meeting, which are held at the Education Center of the New York Aquarium on the 1st Friday of the month, please notify me at (718) 238-1792 by the Tuesday previous to the meeting.



Joe

Joe Graffagnino President

All BAS meetings begin at 7:30pm. No members, other than those donating their help setting up or bringing items for the auction, will be allowed in before that time.

PLEASE NOTE: sales start at 7:30.

There will be no sales during Speaker presentations.



## **ABOUT THIS MONTHS SPEAKER**

age of seven with Guppies in a pickle jar. In the early eighties, he assembled his first saltwater aquarium (fish only). Moving on to more challenging waters, in the mid 1980's, he experimented with marine invertebrates and corals. In the late eighties, a handful of aquarists including Tony were among the first in the United States to successfully maintain *Acropora* alive in captivity. Tony began to share his experience with others through the many articles he wrote in a column titled "Feature Coral" for FAMA magazine.

Tony is a successful SCUBA diver and an accomplished photographer, with many dives in the Indo-Pacific and the Caribbean. His photos are sought after by many magazines and catalogs across North America. A consultant and frequent lecturer on corals, reef fish and reef keeping systems, Tony's FIRST presentation was

at the Brooklyn Aquarium Society back in the early to mid 80's.

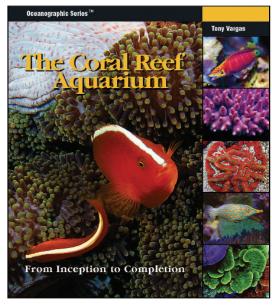
Tony's presentation this month will focus on some of the most amazing reef tanks around the world. It emphasizes the differences on how some corals survive in their natural environment and how they should be kept in captivity.

Tony Vargas has written a new book - The Coral Reef Aquarium - From Inception to Completion, which focuses from start to finish on how to set up a slammin' reef tank. Coral and Fish identification books and guides are published often enough, but it's been a while since we've had a great new reef book.

There are chapters on modern techniques and designs for how reef tanks are set up in the 21st century. The second half of the book is a gallery and information section on some of the most amazing reef aquariums from around the world.

The book is available through our web site for the special price of \$33.71 (normal retail price is \$49.94). Just go to: http://www.basny.org/id682-the-coral-reef-aquarium-from-inception-to-completion-by-tony-vargas.html

Order your book now so you'll have it for the March 9th event where Tony will personally sign it for you. You can't get that anywhere else!



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# COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS IN 2012

March 23-25, 2012 Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies (NEC) 37th Annual Convention. We are offering a Friday One-Day Registration. The \$48 registration includes all the Friday seminars and the Friday buffet dinner, with the kickoff introducing our speakers and Hans-Georg Ever's presentation, and entry into the Vendor/Exhibitor Room. Hotel Reservations: Special room rate of \$99.00 per night (plus tax) for the nights of March 21-25, 2012. This rate is available through March 9, 2012. To receive this rate, call 1-888-233-9527 and refer to code N7Z. Online reservations may be made at: https://northeastcouncil.org/convention/index.php?option=com\_virtuemart&Itemid=145&v mcchk=1&Itemid=145

**Tony Terceira** will host a Free 90-minute photo workshop to help hobbyists improve their fish photography. New content is being added to the Convention. Please visit northeastcouncil.org/convention for up-to-date information.

March 23-25 International Oceans Exposition #36 at 495 New Rochelle Rd,. Ste.2A, Bronxville, NY 10708 Just 10 minutes from NYC. Free parking. For Info. E-mail Info@beneaththesea.org or www.mecexpo.com

April 7 - 8, 2012 Eastern Iowa Aquarium Association Tropical Fish Show / cash prizes. For info: www.finflap.com

April 26 - 29, 2012 American Livebearer Association Gold Coast Convention 2012 held at the Hilton Airport Hotel, Ft. Lauderdale, FL. \$99 per night Free airport shuttle. Featuring: • Collecting native & exotic fish, • Aquarium plant & fish farm tour • 21 class all livebearer show • 7 great speakers • Saturday awards banquet • Huge vendor display • Hospitality room every night • Giant fish & dry goods auction • Fish breeders' sales tables • Wine tasting benefit party • Live fish shipping facility. For more information contact: American Livebearer Association, Web site: http://livebearers.org/ Forum: http://livebearers.org/modules/newbb/ Gold Coast Aquarium Society, (GCAS) Web site: http://www.geaquarium.org Forum: http://geaquarium.org/gcasbb **ALA 2012 Convention Web site:** hhtp://www.ALA2012.com

May 20 Sunday Otter Valley AS Spring Tropical Fish Auction at the Rutland/Killington Holiday Inn, Rutland, VT. Enjoy a weekend in beautiful Vermont then attend the auction on Sunday. Tropical fish, plants & dry goods. Viewing lots 9:30 - 11:30am. Auction starts at noon. Free admission, refreshments avaliable. The Rutland/Killington Holiday Inn is located on US Route 7 near the junction of Rte 4. Driving info: GPS systems do not recognize

Questions: question@ALA2012.com

the physical address. We recommend you use 1 Holiday Drive, Rutland, VT 05701. Special weekend rates; \$101.20 per day. For reservations call 800 462-4819 or <a href="mailto:info@hiver-mont.com">info@hiver-mont.com</a>

Memorial Day, May 25-27 The American Killifish Association 50th Annual Convention. Held in St. Louis, MO. Over the next several months, the Organizing Committee will reveal plans for the convention. For updated info visit: http://www.akaorg.convention/2012/

July 11 - 15, 2012 American Cichlid Association 2012 Convention Hosted by the Circle City Aquarium Club For more information: http://www.aca2012indy.com/

September 28 - 30, 2012 MACNA held in beautiful Dallas/Fort Worth TX. at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel.

Over 100 vendors selling corals and displaying cutting edge equipment. Chat with your favorite authors, vendors, or reef enthusiasts from around the country. Speakers list: Julian Sprung, Christine Williams, Scott Fellman, Tony Vargas, Joe Yaiullo, Justin Credabel, Paul Whitby, Matt Pedersen, Bob Fenner, Marc Levenson, Sanjay Joshi, Richard Ross. Discounted rate of \$114 per night (\$75 early departure fee). Self parking discounted to \$8 per day. Complementary in-room Internet access. 10% off all food, beverage and shopping outlets on site during your stay. Booking MUST be made on our Sheraton Stargroups website: <a href="https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=1109065095&key=3D49">https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=1109065095&key=3D49</a> to receive the special rate and benefits. Special rate until September 12, 2012. Subject to availability.

#### October 18-21 2012 All-Aquarium Catfish Convention Held at Hyatt Dulles Herndon, VA

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# BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2012

MAR 9 <u>Tony Vargas ~ Successful Reef Aquariums Around the World and How They Got that Way.</u> A Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**APR 13** <u>Larry Jinks ~ Creating My Fish Room</u> ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**MAY 11** <u>Giant Spring Auction</u> ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods including a 55 gal. tank & stand.

#### JUN 8 Todd Gardner ~ Getting Started in Marine Aquaculture ~

Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

### JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS

### SEPT 14 Mike Hellwig ~ Fish Breeding Contest with Ted Judy ~

Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**OCT 12** <u>Giant Fall Auction</u> ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a 55 gal. tank & stand.

NOV 9 Gene Ritter ~ Reef Diving ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**DEC 14** <u>Holiday Party</u> ~ Members, their families and friends, all you can eat sit-down dinner • Fish Bingo & Prizes • BAS Awards presentations.

#### 2013

#### JAN 11 TBA

FEB 8 Kathy Cardineau - Ponds the Easy Way Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

MAR 8 Kevin Kohen - Salt

**APR 12** Mark Denaro - Where Rare Species are Common Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

MAY 10 BAS Giant Spring Auction

JUN 14 TBA

## JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS

SEPT 13 TBA OCT 11 BAS Fall Giant Auction NOV 8 TBA DEC 13 Holiday Party

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# BAS 100TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE CLOISONNÉ ENAMEL KEY CHAIN.





o commemorate our 100th year of Educating Aquarists, we have created a handsome limited edition metal cloisonné enamel key chain pictured at the right. It has our present logo symbol on one side and our original logo on the other side. The key chain disk is enameled in our official colors; blue and gold, and is 1 1/2" in size.

There's a limited supply of these commemorative key chains and once they are gone...they are gone! We're sure they will become aquatic collectors' items.

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I know once you see it, you'll want one.

John T.



## Striking Male Fish Tails Disorient Some Females

SINDYA N. BHANOO Published: NYT February 6, 2012

he males of certain species of fish have a yellow band on the tailfin. Females seem uncontrollably drawn to it — and sometimes, a new study suggests, that can be their downfall.



Males of the *Ameca splendens* species have a striking yellow tail band.

issue of Proceedings of the Royal Society B.

The yellow-banded species they studied all belong to a family of North American fish known as *Goodeidae*.

Even in species where females have evolved to

Pregnant females, it seems, can mistake the band for a tasty worm or a damselfly, becoming so distracted by the yellow that their foraging abilities are diminished.

"You can imagine a female trying to feed on damselfly or worm, but a male passes by and she is distracted," said **Constantino Macías Garcia**, a behavioral ecologist at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, who led the study. "The female doesn't have interest in mating at this point opportunity."

Dr. Macías Garcia and a colleague, **Yolitzi Saldívar Lemus**, report their findings in the current

learn that the band is not food, they are still drawn to it, the researchers found.

Males of one species in the study, *Ameca* splendens, have a particularly striking yellow band.

The researchers found that when plant material was available to the females, the effect of males being nearby was reduced. The ability to eat plants may have evolved over time.

"We cannot say that it became herbivorous because it was costly to be responding all the time to the males," Dr. Macías Garcia said. "But it is a likely explanation."





o find capacity in gallons, of any regular rectangular container, multiply the length, height and width in inches together and divide by 231.

For example, an aquarium 20 X 16 X 15 would be: 20 times 16 = 320. 15 times 320 = 4800, which divided by 231, gives almost 21 gallons.

To find the capacity in gallons, of a cylindrical container, measure the outside dimensions, calculate as though for a straight-sided container and subtract 1/5 from the result.

Multiplying the diameter by itself and subtracting 1/5 from the result can also approximate the area of a circle.



# 37th NEC Annual Convention March 23-25

he 2012 NEC Convention, will be held at the Cromwell CT Crowne Plaza, March 23 - 25, 2012. For information and details see NEC listing on page 2. I am pleased to announce that two members of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society (BASNY) have joined the Speaker Committee, Joe Graffagnino, the club's current President, and **Seth Kolker**, a past president, both of whom have graciously agreed to work alongside Speaker Co-Chairs Janine Banks and Rich Litsky.

The Brooklyn AS recently hosted the Committee at the NY Aquarium for its first meeting and a day of exploring one of the best aquariums the country has to offer. We are working diligently to ensure this Convention is one of the best we've ever had. We are always looking for volunteers during the months prior to the Convention or at the Convention itself. If you would like to volunteer, please send an E-mail to Leslie Dick, the Convention Chairperson. Leslie Dick NEC

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Leslie Dick 203-748-7800 ConventionChair@northeastcouncil.org www.convention.northeastcouncil.org



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ur Treasurer, **Denise Hershkowitz**, and her husband **Stu**, Exchange Editor, will be moving to Florida's sunshine soon and we need members to step up and handle these essential jobs.

We also need a member to fill the post of Corresponding Secretary. This important position entails handling all external correspondence, soliciting donations, obtaining ads for our online publications, handling other Board and Society business.

Being a Board member is a great way to meet other hobbyists and speakers. We must have more than one member capable of filling these posts. If you're interested, please contact **Joe Graffagnino** at **917 922-5108**. He'll fill you in on the offices.

Guys...this is not rocket science and there are great personal rewards to those who help guide the Society for its next 100 years of Educating Aquarists.

John T





I'm writing an article for Aquarium Fish International and could use your input. I've been asked to do an article about mentoring kids on fish keeping and need your experiences in what you have done to get your kids involved in the hobby. I would like to know the following: how did you introduce kids to the hobby? Do you go on collecting trips with them? Did you get them their own tank or get them books on

fish keeping? Do you do tank maintenance or go to fish stores together?

If you're a teacher, have you used classroom aquariums in teaching? Please contact me with your story either by email or phone. My number is 802 824-3743. My email is <a href="mailto:jtoddybas@aol.com">jtoddybas@aol.com</a>; the deadline is the end of 2011. Any of your experiences mentoring would be welcome.

John T.





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Steven Matassa

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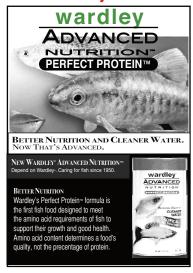


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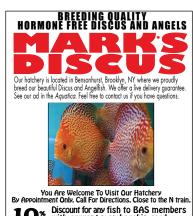
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• **ANNUAL AUCTION** St. Josephs Parish Center, 1303 Mendon Rd (Rt. 122) Cumberland, RI For info: tfsri.net15

## TUE. MAR 6 - PIONEER VALLEY AS • TBA

Usually meets 1st Tuesday of the month at the Springfield Science Museum, 21 Edwards St., Springfield, MA at 7:00pm. Free parking in lot. Public welcome. For more information contact: **Dave & Linda Giza (413) 283-8680** or email: <a href="mike@berkshiredesign.com">mike@berkshiredesign.com</a>, or for directions go to <a href="mike@berkshiredesign.com">pvas.net</a>

## WED. MAR 7 - GREATER CITY AS

Meets 7:30pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Queens Botanical Garden, except for January and February. The public is welcome! Speakers, publication, bowl show, raffles, door prizes, refreshments, plant and fish auctions. For information, please contact **Claudia Dickinson** at: <a href="https://except.org/ic/it/">ivyrose@optonline.net</a> or 631-668-5125, or visit <a href="https://www.greatercity.org">www.greatercity.org</a>

## FRI. MAR 9 LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION • NERAC VII

Generally meets 1st Friday of the month at 8pm at Dickens Inc, 75 Austin Blvd, Commack, NY 11725. For directions & info: http://www.LongIslandReef.org

## WED. MAR 12 - JERSEY SHORE AS • MOVIE

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at the Knights of Columbus, 70 E. Main St., Freehold, NJ. At 8pm. Speakers, Auction rare & exotic fish, aquatic plants, door prizes. For more details: <a href="www.jerseyshoreAS.org">www.jerseyshoreAS.org</a>; 732-859-5595; <a href="www.jerseyshoreAS.org">wws71@yahoo.com</a>

#### SUN. MAR 18 - JERSEY SHORE ANNUAL AUCTION

## TUE. MAR 13 - OTTER VALLEY AS • RANDY CAREY - TOPIC TBA

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the Maclure Library, Pittford, VT. The public is welcome. Refreshments, plant and fish auction, free parking. For information contact: John Todaro at: <a href="mailto:jtoddybas@aol.com">jtoddybas@aol.com</a>

#### TUE. MAR 13 - NASSAU COUNTY AS

• **TBA** Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at Kellenberg at Molloy College, 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre NY 8:00pm. Check web site for directions. http://ncasweb.org/directions.php. General meetings open to the public. Guest speakers, fish related events, raffles, mini-auction. Info: **Mike Foran (516) 798-6766,** or at <a href="mailto:info@ncasweb.org">info@ncasweb.org</a>

#### THUR. MAR 15 - NORTH JERSEY AS ..

• **TBA** General meetings are held 3rd Thursday of the month at 8pm; doors open at 7:30pm. This meeting will be held at the Meadowlands Environmental Center At the Elks Club, 251 Park Ave Lyndhurst, NJ. 07071. Open to the public. Speakers, raffles, auctions. Info: Call **(732) 541-1392** or call **Kevin Carr** @ 201 724-9460 or visit on line for directions <a href="https://www.meadowlandsstate.nj.us/directions.html">www.njas.net</a> or <a href="https://www.meadowlandsstate.nj.us/directions.html">https://www.meadowlandsstate.nj.us/directions.html</a>

#### THUR. FEB 16 - NORWALK AS

• **TBA** Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at Earthplace, The Nature Discovery Center, 10 Woodside Lane, Westport, CT. Open to public. Info: <a href="Norwalkas.org">Norwalkas.org</a>

#### FRI. MAR 16 - LONG ISLAND AS

• **TBA** Meets the 3rd Friday of the month. Meetings are now held at SUNY Stony Brook's Maritime Science area, Room 120 in Endeavor Hall on the State University at Stony Brook Campus, Stony Brook, NY 11794. Doors open @ 7:30pm meeting starts @ 8pm Speakers, auctions, refreshments, free parking. For Info go to <a href="https://www.liasonline.org">www.liasonline.org</a>

#### SUN. MAR - 18 SOUTH JERSEY GUPPY CLUB -

• TBA Consists of 50 members with many years of maintaining, breeding & producing show quality/winning guppies. Meetings 3rd Sunday every

month at 1 p.m. at Griggstown Volunteer Fire Co at Griggstown. NJ. See South Jersey Guppy Club website for further info: www.guppysa2z.com

#### FRI. MAR 23 - DANBURY AREA AS

• **TBA** Meets 4th Friday of the month at Carmel Ambulance Corps Vink Dr., Carmel, NY. For more info: **Rich Litsky** (845) 228-0372 or **Joe Masi** (845) 896-4793 or <u>daas@northeastcouncil.org</u>

#### TUE. MAR 27 - GREATER HARTFORD AS

• **TBA** Meets 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the Lutz Children's Museum, 247 S. Main St in Manchester CT 06040. Call 860-643-0949.

## WED. MAR 28 - METROPOLITAN AREA KILLIFISH ASSOC. (MAKA)

• **TBA** Meets 4th Wednesday of the month at 8 pm at the Meadowlands Environmenta Center in Lyndhurst, NJ. Speaker and auction of fish eggs, plants and dry goods. Refreshments served. Info: <a href="mailto:SLMACK@compuserve.com">SLMACK@compuserve.com</a>

## SAT. MAR 21 - TROPICAL FISH SOCIETY OF RHODE ISLAND

• **TBA** General meeting are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm at The Letter Carriers Plaza, 174 Mayfield Ave., Cranston, Rhode Island. For info: <a href="mailto:tfsri.net15">tfsri.net15</a>

#### **CHECK ALL TIMES & DATES**

For site listing of these and other Societies in the New York area go to:

HTTP://Fins.actwin.com/dir/clubs.php?c=1&r=42
If listed TBA (To Be Announced), that means the society has not gotten a speaker or has not updated their calendar of events.

CHECK WITH THE SOCIETY.





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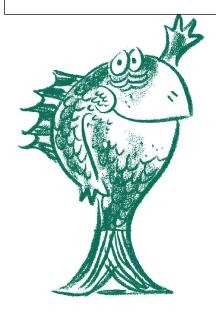
Manhattan Aquarium 522 West 37th Street, NYC, NY 10018 Ph: 212 594-2271 • Fax: 212 594-2271 www.ManhattanAquarium.Com www.UniqueCorals.Com

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2507 U.S. Hway 22, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 Ph: **1 (908) 889-8262** • Fax: 1 (908) 889-0803 Mon-Fri: 10am-9pm • Sat: 10am-7pm • Sun 10am-5pm

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