

Gulf of Mexico Foundation
Announces the 12th Annual
Down Under, Out Yonder
Educator Workshop

July 19-23, 2008

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This unique, two-part workshop begins with lessons on basic coral biology, the National Marine Sanctuary Program, the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary (FGBNMS), current sanctuary issues and an introduction to reef fish identification. It then concludes with a **SCUBA diving field experience to the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary**. Located approximately 115 miles south of the Texas/Louisiana border, the sanctuary harbors the northernmost coral reefs in the continental United States. Hands-on activities and great resource materials will be provided. Space is limited.

Who may apply? Anyone who actively educates K-12 students or college entry biology is eligible. You need not be a classroom teacher. You may, for example, conduct education in an aquarium or nature center. You must, however, commit to doing a specific amount of education about the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary wherever you work. Selection is based on how you plan to use the experience to enhance K-12 education or college entry biology. **You must be an experienced, certified SCUBA diver to participate in this workshop.**

Location: Land-based activities take place in Galveston, Texas. Offshore activities take place on/from a 100 ft. live-aboard dive charter vessel, which will depart from and return to Freeport, Texas.

How do I apply? You may contact the sanctuary or download an application online at: <http://gulfmex.org/duoy.htm>

Cost: \$250 includes workshop, accommodations and meals
Applications **due ASAP**

Questions?

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