



The Marine Biological Association

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New Honorary Fellowships of the Marine Biological Association

HRH the Duke of Edinburgh and HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco are amongst new Honorary Fellows appointed by the Marine Biological Association, to mark and celebrate the award of a Royal Charter

Renowned oceanographer and ocean champion Dr Sylvia Earle, originator of the Gaia theory Professor James Lovelock and Nobel Prize winner Sir Tim Hunt have also been appointed as Honorary Fellows. The appointments recognize the commitment or scientific endeavour of individuals who have made major contributions to furthering our understanding of life in the sea.

Accepting the appointment, Sylvia Earle said "I am deeply honoured to be invited to become an Honorary Fellow of the Marine Biological Association."

In his statement of acceptance His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco said "I am particularly honoured to join the Marine Biological Association and thus demonstrate my commitment alongside those who, for many years, have contributed through their research, support and creativity, towards advancing knowledge of the marine environment".

The Honorary Fellowships will be conferred at a celebration event at the Fishmongers' Hall in London on March 11th, attended by HRH the Duke of Edinburgh, Members of Parliament and many of the UK's leaders in the field of marine biology.

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The Marine Biological Association (MBA) is a professional body for marine scientists with some 1400 members world-wide. Since 1884 the MBA has established itself as a leading marine biological research organisation contributing to the work of several Nobel Laureates and over 170 Fellows of the Royal Society. In recognition of its long and eminent history and its status within the field of marine biology, the MBA was awarded a Royal Charter in 2013.

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