

Activities



EXHIBIT ON FISH CONSERVATION AND MARINE BIODIVERSITY

A bi-annual exhibit held in the months of February and October that aims to enrich public awareness on the country's rich biota and its ecological status

- Offers access to FishBase and ReefBase Programs (a global information system with key data on the biology of fishes and on coral reefs)

PUBLICATION

- Viloso, E.P. 1997. "Collection and Preservation Techniques for Common Seashore Animals" UPV-MNS Contribution No.1, University of the Philippines in the Visayas, Miag-ao, Iloilo

- Viloso, E.P. 2000. "Fishes of the Philippines: A Guide to the Identification of Families of Fishes Found in the Philippine Waters". UPV-MNS Contribution No.2, University of the Philippines in the Visayas, Miag-ao, Iloilo

TRAINING/WORKSHOP

Trainings and or seminars on museum related topics conducted annually for biology teachers, extension specialists and interested fishery workers

INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEAN-UP

An annual event that aims to conserve and protect marine biodiversity and sustain the use of marine resources for the benefit of the local people, held every 3rd Saturday of September

EXTENSION SERVICES

- Identification and documentation of ecologically important aquatic plants and animals

- "The Mouseion", a bi-annual newsletter of UPV-MNS

UPV-MNS

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Museum Hours:
8 am to 5 pm
Mondays-Fridays

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and Ocean Sciences



Museum of
Natural
Sciences

The UPV MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCES



VISION

A leading Natural Science Museum and a reference center for aquatic flora and fauna including terrestrial plants and animals that affect them

MISSIONS

- To act as a repository of collections of aquatic and terrestrial organisms especially the endemic specimens
- To act as an active center for scientific and taxonomic researches of flora and fauna of the country
- To be a service and action unit that provides assistance to various courses in the university

WHAT'S IN MNS?

- **Ocean Sunfish, *Mola mola***
Guinness World Record's "Most Fish Eggs" and reported to be the heaviest bony fish
- **Green Sea Turtle, *Chelonia mydas***
An endangered reptile, considered to be the only living remnant of the dinosaur age
- **Dwarf-pygmy Goby, *Pandaka pygmaea***
Guinness World Record's "Smallest Freshwater Fish"
- **Sail Fish, *Istiophorus platypterus***
"Fastest Fish" to travel over short distances
- **Red-bellied Piranha, *Serrasalmus nattereri***
One of the most feared predatory fish
- **Fossil Collection from Miocene Era**
A 24-piece relic collection composed of sharks' teeth and fish bones, collected from Chesapeake Bay, Baltimore, Maryland

The UPV museum collection is available in the internet under the FishBase Program of the WorldFish Center of the International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management (ICLARM).

MNS is also included in the International Council of Museums (ICOM) and University Museums and Collections (UMAC) worldwide database (www.lib.mq.edu.au/mcm/umac).

