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**ECO Station's 5th Annual Children's World
Ocean Day**
**Wed. June 9th, Wishtoyo Chumash Village,
Malibu, 10am to 1pm**

More than 1,000 children will experience the ocean for the first time! STAR Eco Station and the Wishtoyo Foundation are partnering to take 42 classrooms from the Los Angeles Unified School Districts title-1 schools in low income, underserved communities to discover the ocean, learn how to protect it, and explore the Chumash culture at the Wishtoyo Village. For most of these students, this will be their first experience with their birthright, the ocean. In the last four years, students have expressed that they never imagined the sand would be so soft. "There is so much water", expressed the little girl who attended the 2009 World Ocean Day event. It is one thing to see it in the movies, and another to experience the smell of the salt in the air, the sound of the crashing waves and the sight of dolphins playing in their natural habitat. Don't miss celebrating World Ocean Day with the STAR ECO Station, the Wishtoyo Foundation and the rest of the world community.

This event is made possible by DC Insurance, the STAR ECO Station, and our friends at the Wishtoyo Foundation. Other environmental partners include Malibu Surfrider Association, L.A. County Fire Department Lifeguard Division, L.A. County Scuba, Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority, Reef Check and USC Sea Grant Program, among others. Helicopter fly-by courtesy of US Coast Guard Air Station LA.

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