

# 7th CoralWatch Ambassador Workshop

24-28 February 2024 Heron Island Research Station



## COME JOIN OUR WATCH

GET INVOLVED AND TURN YOUR MARINE CONSERVATION IDEAS INTO REAL ACTION

The Ambassador program offers you the chance to become a volunteer for the reef with CoralWatch. Across Queensland, CoralWatch has successfully trained over 78 Ambassadors. These Ambassadors actively participate in several events, engage with communities and deliver positive messages, motivating audiences to take action to protect our coral reefs. Throughout the workshop, you will gain comprehensive knowledge about reefs, citizen science, climate change and sustainability. Furthermore, you will be equipped to translate your ideas into effective educational tools to raise awareness about the importance of reefs.

**Applications open 17 November 2023**

**Close 17 December Notifications by 20 December**



More info and application form



Join our zoom info session  
7 December  
6-7 PM



  
**CORALWATCH**  
Ambassador

Learn about corals and reef conservation,  
**reach out & inspire others**

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## WORKSHOP AIMS

- Acquire knowledge about coral reefs, the CoralWatch program, and sustainability.
- Gain field experience in the marine environment, including the use of tools and conducting surveys.
- Develop Ambassador ideas into actionable and pragmatic plans.
- Hone skills through opportunities such as reef walks, presentations, and displays.
- Foster a collaborative atmosphere by exchanging ideas, inspiring and supporting each other.
- Build meaningful connections with fellow participants.

## WORKSHOP CONTENT

- Informative presentations (coral biology, CoralWatch monitoring, sustainability, data analysis).
- Interactive working sessions (roleplay, project development, science communication, planning, practice sessions, data entry).
- Fieldwork (snorkelling, collecting data, monitoring techniques).

## YOUR CONTRIBUTION

- Active participation in CoralWatch community events (school visits, festivals, workshops).
- Collect and upload Coral Health Chart data and inspire others to do the same.
- Report and liaise on outreach activities and experiences to CoralWatch.
- Workshop contribution of \$250 AUD.
- Arrange and cover travel expenses from your location to Gladstone.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Be a confident swimmer/snorkeller.
- Available to attend the full 5-day intensive training workshop at Heron Island Research Station from 24 - 28 February 2024.
- Available to attend the Ambassador return workshop at Moreton Bay Research Station on North Stradbroke Island in September 2024 (date TBC).
- Available in volunteer capacity in 2024, and beyond if you wish.



## Workshop Feedback

- *'An amazing opportunity learning from everyone with such diverse backgrounds, magical'* Rebecca
- *'Mind-blowing, fantastic, one in a lifetime opportunity to learn about the reefs, climate change and sustainability'* Marcin
- *'Wow, truly amazing and an experience I will carry with me for a long time to come'* Nadine

### Workshop favourites

- *'The reefwalks which provided plenty of opportunity for curious enquiry and fun'* Sharon
- *'I think I gained most from networking/talking and listening to my fellow ambassadors – a brilliant bunch'* John
- *'Everything! The positive, welcoming encouraging atmosphere'* Geoff

View Ambassador workshop video  
[https://youtu.be/OL\\_PxijZDH0](https://youtu.be/OL_PxijZDH0)

## APPLY NOW

Up to 15 participants will be selected through a formal application process. You can download the application form from CoralWatch and propose your Ambassador ideas to CoralWatch before 17 December 2023. (<https://coralwatch.org/index.php/ambassadors/>)

CoralWatch will deliver a 5-day workshop, including accommodation, food, materials, expertise and onward support with a certificate upon completion. Participants pay for their own transport to Gladstone and a workshop contribution fee of \$250 AUD.

Any questions contact [info@coralwatch.org](mailto:info@coralwatch.org)

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