

Scott Mara



Scott began his career working with animals in 1996, when he went to work at Miami Seaquarium working with California Sea Lions, Harbor Seals, Atlantic Bottlenose Dolphins and Pacific Bottlenose Dolphins. He then expanded his animal training to different species such as tigers, alligators, and reptiles, just to name a few. Scott has trained animals throughout South Florida and the Florida Keys. He headed to a new dolphin facility in the Caribbean, including the transport of the animals, and in 2004, began working as senior Killer Whale and Dolphin Trainer at Six Flags Marine World in California.

Scott began working with A Dog's Best Friend back in 1999 and has always loved working with canines of all sizes and temperaments. As a behaviorist, Scott thrives on seeing new behaviors learned, observing the process of each animal's discovery, and satisfaction in completing training goals.

Scott specializes in the training of new behaviors, correcting problem behaviors, and also teaching dog owners to train their pet using positive reinforcement in the home. Over the years, Scott has been a constant promoter of awareness and education, whether it be in a simple social environment, speaking to thousands of people at shows with the general public, or to hundreds of his peers at National Conferences.



Other:

- Marine Mammal Conservancy/ Marine Animal Rescue Society - Volunteer
- 2005 IMATA Conference: First time presenter award winner for bringin 2 different species together in the same habitat.
- Advanced scuba certification (PADI)
- CPR certified
- Member of the APDT

