

Meet Justin Manley



Justin is a Lead Ocean Engineer at Mitretek Systems located in the metro Washington D.C. area. Justin supports government clients in and around Washington, and other locations in the United States. He has sailed on ocean science and engineering cruises around the world, most recently to the wreck of the RMS *Titanic*, 4000 meters beneath the Atlantic Ocean.

Justin has been around water all of his life. His family runs a marine towing and salvage business on Lake Michigan and he drove boats before he could drive cars. Justin is a recreational scuba diver and enjoys the engineering challenges posed by the deep sea.

Meet Captain Karin Lynn



Karin is a member of the Civil Engineer Corps (CEC), in the United States Navy. She works for the Naval Facilities Engineering Command at the Washington Navy Yard, in Washington D.C.

Karin has always been a water-oriented person. Her father was also in the Navy, and because of that her family often lived near the ocean. She spent her youth body surfing in Virginia Beach and later after joining the Navy in other ocean meccas like Huntington Beach, Waikiki, and San Diego. Karin is an avid SCUBA diver; she is both a recreational and a Navy diver. She feels it would be nearly impossible to not be interested in ocean sciences as the oceans are so important in everything we do!

Meet Catalina Martinez



Catalina is a Physical Scientist with National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA's) Office of Ocean Exploration. She is located in Narragansett, RI and is often working at sea exploring the world's ocean realm.

Catalina's path to the field of ocean sciences was not a direct one, as she spent many years working with urban school children and victims of domestic violence prior to studying oceanography. While in graduate school, Catalina continued working with inner-city students and teachers through classroom and ship-based programs designed to introduce them to the marine environment. For the past three and a half years, Catalina has been working for NOAA's Office of Ocean Exploration. She wears several hats in her position with NOAA, but her work primarily consists of managing projects supported by the office to explore little known or unknown regions of the world's ocean. This work leads Catalina to sea for about two-three months per year, and allows her the opportunity to share the excitement of ocean exploration with the general public through various direct and indirect outreach and education efforts associated with the expeditions.

Meet Rebecca Nadel



Rebecca is a Sustainable Development and Social Performance Manager with Shell Exploration & Production Company in Houston, TX.

Rebecca has been drawn to marine environments since she received her SCUBA certification at age 15. She enjoys math and science and was naturally drawn into engineering. The field of underwater acoustics has allowed her to combine her passion for the ocean with engineering and technology.

Meet Captain Craig McLean



Craig is a commissioned officer with NOAA. He holds the rank of Captain, and has been in the service for nearly 24 years. Craig is currently the Executive Officer of the National Ocean Service, a major component of NOAA responsible for a wide range of operational oceanography and marine resource management programs ranging from the Nation's nautical charting program to the system of National Marine Sanctuaries. He works primarily in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Captain McLean has commanded oceanographic research ships, been diving around the world using technologies ranging from SCUBA to submersibles. He has been a part of major oceanographic expeditions including those exploring among others the U.S.S. MONITOR, R.M.S. TITANIC. Craig is also a member of the American Bar Association and has also served NOAA as a lawyer.

Craig became interested in ocean science as a youngster. Growing up on a river in New Jersey, that today is a polluted Superfund site he often imagined what his backyard river would be like, and how much more he could enjoy it, if it was clean. He began scuba diving at age 14 while working for a job in a boatyard close to his house. His parents encouraged his interests, which included staying motivated in school, studying the sciences, learning to write well, and fostering a desire to achieve. Throughout his life Craig has always felt that being motivated in the subject matter, and taking school seriously were very important.