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ASSOCIATED STUDENTS STAFF

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MISSION BAY AQUATIC CENTER

How did they do that?



Check out the cover of the Fall 2009 MBAC Class Schedule. Paul Lang, Kevin Waldick and crew did some creative thinking to get this spectacular photo. Here's how they did it...

"The concept for the cover image started as an idea to put a camera in a unique place to capture a view that is not seen very often. There is no safe way to put a photographer and a camera at the top of a Hobie 16 mast while it's sailing, so we tipped a fully rigged boat over on the beach and secured a Canon 30D with a fisheye lens as close to the top as we could. Also attached to the camera was a radio receiver that allows me to fire the shutter from over 1000 feet away. With all of the camera settings preset, the radio system tested, and the whole set up secured with a little extra tape and a

safety line for good measure, we sent it out sailing with strict instructions to not capsize.

After a few test runs, we brought the boat back in to the beach to check the results, since there was no way to see the images being captured without looking at the camera itself. This check let us know that everything was working and showed us what body positions looked good for the sailors. We sent the boat back out for a few more runs and scored a few great shots that are definitely from a unique perspective!"

— Paul Lang

ABOUT THE PHOTOGRAPHER: In addition to being the Maintenance Supervisor at the MBAC, Paul Lang is also a part time writer and photographer specializing in watersports photography. You can see more of his images at <http://www.paullangphotography.com>

CAST YOUR VOTE!

You can vote for this photo in the **Southern California Faces and Places Photo Contest** by visiting http://socialphotocontest.com/bin/Rate?image_id=1007003667

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS!

AZTEC NIGHTS

With the start of the Fall semester, days on campus will be filled with activity and for the next five weeks, so will the nights. Check out all the special events at aztecnights.com — from go-karts to drag queens, Ferris wheels to hypnotists, Aztec Nights has everything. Come join in on the fun!

Celebrate A.S. DAY!

Join us on **Wednesday, September 2nd** as we showcase what makes your A.S. one of the best in the nation! Learn how you can get involved and make an impact on campus. Plus there will be games, food and prizes!

INFORMATION FAIR, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. — A.S. departments and boards will have booths highlighting what A.S. does to make student life fun outside the classroom. Stop by a booth to play games and enter the opportunity drawing in the Aztec Center Walkway.

NOONER, 12 p.m. — bask in the sun and enjoy a live music on the Aztec Center Patio.

SNEAK PEEK MOVIE, 7 p.m. — be sure to line-up early for the sneak peek screening in Montezuma Hall.

MIXER, 8:15 p.m. — close-out A.S. Day by having dinner with us in the Aztec Center Courtyard. It will be a great way to unwind and we will select the recipients of the opportunity drawing.

Spread the word...all SDSU students are welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER
 3rd - 21st **Annual Review of "Code of Safety" for all employees**
 7th **Labor Day, Campus Closed**
 10th **Safety Committee Meeting**, 1 p.m. Presidential Suite
 16th **National Play-Doh Day***
 18th **The Killers**, Viejas Arena
 30th **Safety Inspection Reports due** to the A.S. Business Office

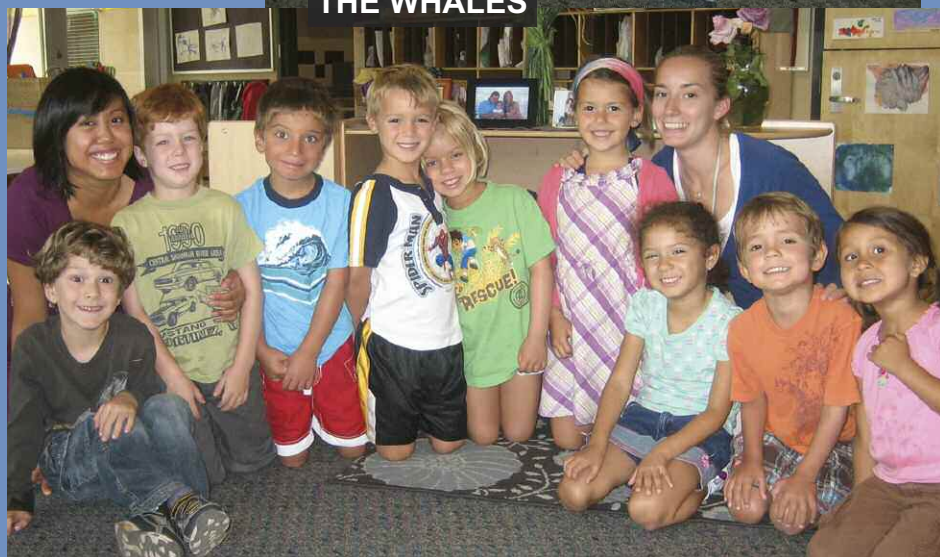
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THE KILLERS



THE WHALES



15 QUESTIONS

The Whales Class at the SDSU Children's Center, interviewed by Camille Corpuz (left), Master Teacher, Rosario Lopez (right), Assistant Teacher, and Quentin Skaggs

1. What is your name and job title?
 Andrea Z., Angelina L., Anka E., Charlie S., Gabrielle O., Jordan R., Nathan V., RCeli C., Ruben D., Maggie W., Laeli G., Georgia B., Zander A., Jasmine H., students in the Whales Class at the SDSU Children's Center.
2. How old are you?
 4 and 5 years old.
3. What are some important things you have learned at school?
 "After you pick a booger out of your nose you have to wash your hands."
 "No taking toys to school so they don't get lost."
 "Listen to teachers and don't hit teachers and friends."
 "Don't use a very loud voice."
 "Rest at nap time."
4. What is your favorite kind of ice cream and toppings?
 "Mint ice cream with chocolate sauce."
 "Chocolate with gummy bears."
 "Rainbow with frosting on top."
5. What do you think kindergarten is going to be like?
 "Won't have to stay at school as long."
 "Less recess."
 "There will be a humongous monster truck with four wheels and monkey bars on the playground."
 "It will be like my sister's school."
 "Fun because I already know two kids."
 "I know about kindergarten but I don't know what my class is going to be like."
6. Do you like pizza?
 "Yes!" (Unanimous)
 How do you make a pizza?
 "Make the dough round, put on some sauce, cheese, chicken, pepperoni, put it in the oven, wait until it cools off."
 "Pepperoni. Last time I made pizza by myself. You put pepperoni, cheese, and sauce. And then you cook it."
 "Cheese. I decorate it."
 "Cheese. You make it in the oven."
7. What do you want to be when you grow up?
 "A Scientist."
 "I want to blow up water balloons, tie them, and throw them. A lot of water balloons!"
 "A firefighter because daddy used to work at a fire station."
 "A teacher."
 "A famous artist."
 "Pizza maker."
 "To be a dump truck driver."
 "I want to take care of puppy dogs and fire dogs."
8. What does the President of the United States do at work?
 "Does a show."
 "Helps people in America."
 "I watched him become President here at school (he points to the computer screen where all the children watched the inauguration). I don't know because I don't like watching the news."
 "Take care of the country."
 "I don't know."
9. What do you like to do at the beach?
 "Find sea shells and sand dollars."
 "Run in the ocean. Mom and Dad don't like that because they don't want me to drown."
 "Play in the water and build sandcastles, although my sandcastles never turn out so good because if I build it next to the water by myself it gets washed away when I go get someone to come look at it. And when I build it in the soft sand it doesn't turn out so good."
 "Bury my friend in the sand, with my bucket and shovel, but not their face, they would get sand in their nose and eyes."
 "Go in the water and splash."
10. What is your favorite thing to do at school?
 "Play outside."
 "Drawing pictures."
 "Play, read books, and draw."
 "Do arts and crafts."
 "Having a party."
 "Play with my friends."
11. Do you like to take naps?
 "No! I'm not tired."
 "Yes. Sometimes it is very hard to take naps because I don't sleep very well at home. Sometimes I sleep naked because it is so hot."
 "Yeah! I mean, yes. Don't say yeah. (When asked "why?") Because it's slang."
 "Not so much."
 "I hate naps."
12. How do you show someone that you are a friend?
 "Play with them."
 "Be nice to them."
 "Talk to them about Legos."
 "Be polite."
13. What are marshmallows made out of?
 "Snow."
 "Puffy stuff."
 "Marshmallow."
 "Sugar."
 "Paper? No. Maybe fuzz."
14. Would you like to drive a car? How old do you have to be?
 "Yeah. I want to drive a car like mommy's. It's gray."
 "No, not when I'm a kid! You have to be 36!"
 "Maybe. You have to be 20 years old. I want to drive a Highlander."
15. What does it mean to be a Whale in the Whales Class?
 "Do activities."
 "Be a big boy."
 "When you're a Whale in this classroom, you do art and have lunch."
 "You build with blocks, play, go outside, go on the firetruck, and play in the sandbox."
 "Play, clean up, and listen."
 "You behave, play and be silly."
 "You're just being a Whale."