

# SANCTUARY LECTURE SERIES:

## Up and away: aerial observations provide new insights into the lives of humpback whale mom-calf pairs in Maui waters

*a presentation by:*

## Dr. Rachel Cartwright

**\*\* New Date \*\***

**Thursday, March 22, 2018**

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Kīhei Sanctuary Conference Room

726 S. Kīhei Rd., Kīhei, HI 96753

Each whale season the waters around Maui become a temporary nursery for humpback whale moms with young calves. Over the last three seasons, the Keiki Koholā Project has been using small UAV's (drones) to gather aerial footage that can be used to document the health and wellbeing of these pairs. Along the way, observing moms and calves from this new vantage point has revealed an array of new details on the behavior of these pairs. Join Dr. Rachel Cartwright, lead researcher on this project, to find out more about this study and to see how aerial observations are adding to our understanding of the behavior of humpback mother and calf pairs



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