

Virtual *Splash!*2020 FAQ

What is the *Splash!*2020 virtual gala?

It's an online fundraiser supporting the Seattle Aquarium's Resilience Fund.

What is the Resilience Fund?

A thriving, vibrant Seattle Aquarium is a key part of our city's identity and, even though we've reopened our doors to the public—at 15% of our capacity—the Aquarium faces a critical shortfall in 2020.

We are committed to stewarding a strong organization as we move through this unprecedented time in our history. We remain steadfast in our commitment to our conservation mission and are working to ensure a resilient Seattle Aquarium and healthier ocean for generations to come.

Financial support is urgent to ensure we can make it through the pandemic and resume providing our full service to the community. Gifts to the Resilience Fund directly support:

- Providing the best care for the animals we all love.
- Supporting our dedicated staff who work to inspire visitors every day.
- Advancing science-based policies to better protect marine wildlife, Puget Sound and the greater world ocean.
- Educating the next generation of ocean conservationists.

Is it free to attend?

Yes! We of course hope you'll be inspired to make a gift as part of virtual *Splash!*2020 but it's not required. We know it's a very difficult time financially for many, many families. We would love to have your presence, whether you can make a donation now or not. You can help us hugely by sharing this event with your friends, either by emailing your friends or sharing our [Facebook event!](#)

Do I need to register?

We're asking you to register so we can keep you updated on the evening's program—and so you can bid on some of the wonderful auction packages we've lined up.

[Register here!](#)

Why am I asked for my credit card number when I register to bid?

The credit card information that you enter at registration allows you to fully engage with our virtual event, including bidding on auction items. Your credit card will only be charged if you are the winning bidder on an auction item, or if you choose to donate.

How exactly do I participate in virtual *Splash!*2020?

Do I need Zoom?

You don't need Zoom to participate in our virtual gala—you only need the internet on your phone, tablet or computer! Just open the link to our [YouTube livestream](#), and if you can, have a second device (phone, tablet or computer) to open a second browser to go to our [mobile bidding page](#). Watching the livestream is like watching a TV show (it's easy!).

What else can I do to help?

Share our [event website](#) and [Facebook event](#) links with your friends, family and colleagues. When you do, describe your connection to the marine environment, why you support the Seattle Aquarium and how you hope they can join us in our mission.

How do I sign up to be a table captain?

Visit [this link](#) for all the details!

I won't be able to join on September 25.

Can I make a gift now?

Absolutely! You can make a donation at any time [here](#).