

# THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK SCUBA DIVERS



## 14TH YOUTH EDUCATIONAL SUMMIT ROATAN, HONDURAS TURQUOISE BAY DIVE & BEACH RESORT JUNE 24 – JULY 1, 2017



### “Sea Roatan Experience II”

## NABS/YES REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!

The 2017 National Association of Black Scuba Divers Youth Educational Summit (NABS/YES) is heading to Roatan, Honduras, again!! The “Sea Roatan Experience II” will bring together approximately 15 youth and 5 adult chaperones for a 7-day exploration of the environment, ecosystems, culture and conservation efforts in Central America and the Western Caribbean area. A PASSPORT is required!

We look forward to seeing returning NABS/YES participants and welcome new participants. We invite youth between 12-17 years of age, who can swim or are certified scuba divers, and have an interest in learning about our ecosystem and the marine sciences to register for this upcoming awesome experience

The official site of the 2017 NABS/YES is [TURQUOISE BAY DIVE & BEACH RESORT](#), located on Roatan’s northeast coast. The resort is set on a hillside with spectacular ocean views bordered by a protected bay which makes the waters calm and perfect for swimming and kayaking and boasts a private white sand beach. The friendly local staff takes pride in getting to know their guests and making them feel right at home.

SUBWAY WATERSPORTS a certified 5-Star PADI Dive and Instructor Development Center is located on the resort property and managed by Darren Ebanks. Darren was the dive manager at Fantasy Island during the 2013 NABS Summit and he and his staff worked closely with our 2016 NABS/YES coordinators and participants. He is very familiar with the goals and missions of the NABS Organization.

The package includes “7-Nights” accommodations, airport transfers, all meals, nonalcoholic beverages, wireless internet and the use of the resort’s kayaks and paddle boards. We have arranged two morning dives daily and one night dive with Subway’s specialized personnel. Weights, tanks, lockers and boat transportation to the dive sites are also included. This package does NOT include air fare to/from Roatan. NOW is the time to start planning fundraising activities.

Youth participants will engage in a full week of new experiences including opportunities to gain cultural awareness and hands-on learning directed at stewardship of our ecosystem and marine environments. Our schedule includes several community service projects, a beach clean-ups and visits to the Roatan Orphanage and schools. We will plant mangrove trees, learn about invasive and endangered species, coral restoration and have photography classes to learn how to photograph marine life.

The NABS/YES committee would like to **THANK YOU** for your support throughout the years. It is only through your continued support that our mission, to provide youth educational opportunities in the marine sciences, has been successful. We are working tirelessly, but, we need the financial and participatory support of all NABS Clubs, members, and friends to make this another successful year. Therefore please make a commitment to support the 2017 NABS/YES by donating to this unique effort so we might continue to engage our youth in discovering and exploring the world of marine sciences.

NABS/YES is a product of the National Association of Black Scuba Divers, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and your gift is tax deductible. Please make your check payable to NABS/YES and mail to P.O. Box 331548, Nashville, TN 37203.

#### How to help NABS/YES

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| • Supply a goodie bag item for participants               | \$100.00 - \$400.00 |
| • Sponsor NABS/YES backpacks for participants             | \$300.00            |
| • Sponsor NABS/YES T-Shirts for participants              | \$360.00            |
| • Sponsor NABS/YES rash guards for participants           | \$650.00            |
| • Pay NABS/YES registration fee for a youth participant   |                     |
| ○ Non Diver   | \$785.00            |
| ○ Diver   | \$825.00            |
| • Send a youth to NABS/YES (Registration and Airfare)     | appx. \$1,600.00    |
| • Attend NABS/YES to mentor and/or dive with participants | Priceless           |
| • Donate money in any amount to NABS/YES                  | \$\$\$\$\$\$        |

On behalf of the 2017 NABS/YES Committee I sincerely thank you for your kind support. Your donation in any amount is an investment in the leaders of our environmental future.

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