



# THE OCEAN RACE SUMMITS NEWPORT

**16**  
MAY  
**2023**  
**9 am**



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THE OCEAN RACE OCEAN LIVE PARK  
[Fort Adams State Park](#)







In partnership with **11th Hour Racing** - the **Founding Partner of our Racing with Purpose** sustainability programme and a Premier Partner of The Ocean Race, and in close collaboration with Sail Newport, The Ocean Race Summit Newport will explore the power of sports to catalyse positive change, feature an engaging interactive session using a global climate simulator, and present "Shore to Sea" solutions for ocean health.

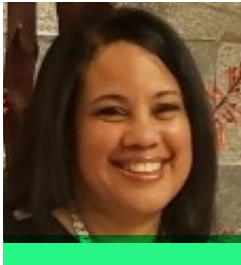






# PROGRAMME

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**Dinalyn Spears**

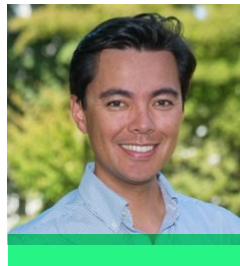
Director of Community Planning/Natural Resources Department  
Vice-Chair Land & Water Resources Commission  
Narragansett Indian Tribe

## WELCOME BY:



**Dan McKee**

Governor of Rhode Island



**Xaykham Khamsyvong**

Mayor of Newport



**Richard Brisius**

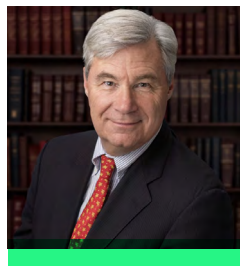
Race Chairman of The Ocean Race

## KEYNOTE:



**Janet Coit**

Assistant Administrator, NOAA  
Fisheries, U.S. Department of  
Commerce



### VIDEO MESSAGE

**Sheldon Whitehouse**

United States Senator for Rhode Island

## JOIN OUR GLOBAL CAMPAIGN FOR OCEAN RIGHTS ONE BLUE VOICE

The ocean's intrinsic rights are being ignored. The Ocean Race's One Blue Voice campaign will be featured at **The Ocean Race Summit Newport**, calling on participants and speakers to sign the public petition for a **Universal Declaration of Ocean Rights**.

## STAND UP | SPEAK UP | SIGN UP



[www.onebluevoice.net](http://www.onebluevoice.net)





# PANEL 1: : SPORT AS A CATALYST FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

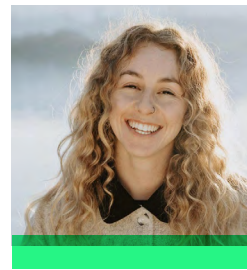
How can sports create positive environmental change? What possibilities open up when a sailing race or a team come together to push for the inherent rights of the ocean? Sports can be part of the answer! Find out what top athletes are doing to activate their communities to have a positive impact on planetary health, in particular ocean and climate action.



**Charlie Enright**  
Skipper  
11th Hour Racing Team



**Zandile Ndhlovu**  
Ocean Explorer and Founder of Black Mermaid Foundation, 11th Hour Racing Ambassador



**Jess Hotter**  
Freeride Athlete,  
Protect Our Winters Alliance Ambassador

## PRESENTATION

### How to Save the World in less than Twenty Minutes: Simulating Climate Futures in En-ROADS

How can we limit warming to under two degrees? We will use En-ROADS, a global climate simulator that allows you to change different variables to explore the impact that dozens of policies—such as electrifying transport, pricing carbon, and improving agricultural practices—can have on hundreds of factors like energy prices, temperature, air quality, and sea level rise. See what impact your preferred solutions and actions will have through this interactive and engaging session.



**Andrew Jones**  
Executive Director and Co-Founder of Climate Interactive and Research Affiliate at MIT Sloan







## MESSAGE:



**Terrence Gray**

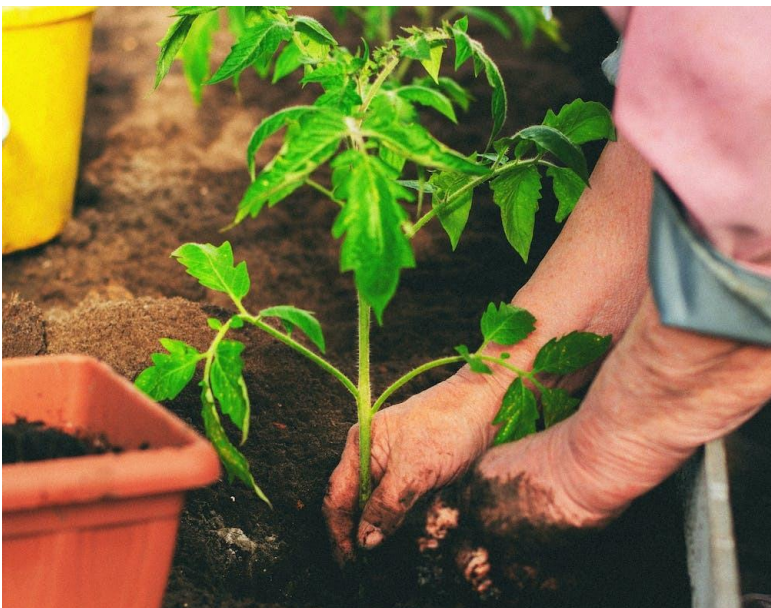
Director Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM)



## BEST PRACTICE VIDEO

### HEALTHY SOILS, HEALTHY SEAS

Eva Touhey, the director of Sustainability at Clean Ocean Access (funded by 11th Hour Racing) talks to us about their project to implement a composting programme (improving soil quality, reducing waste, reducing chemical run off). We also chatted to high school students and a citizen scientist to see how it's being implemented in the community.



## SPEAKER



**Rachel Bustamante**  
Ocean Science & Policy Analyst  
Earth Law Centre





# ANNOUNCEMENT:



## Rhode Island becomes first State in the United States to support the recognition of the Rights of Nature and Ocean Rights

The Ocean Race Summit will also be an occasion to celebrate Rhode Island's recent resolution recognizing the rights of their communities to live in a healthy and clean environment, supporting the recognition of the Rights of Nature and particularly, the rights of the Ocean to exist and flourish. With over 400 miles of coastline, Rhode Island is known as 'the Ocean State.' The resolution also recognizes the importance of Rhode Island's blue economy and the steps the State is taking to protect its biodiversity.

## PANEL 2: : SHORE TO SEA SOLUTIONS FOR OCEAN HEALTH

All ecosystems are interconnected: what happens on land affects the ocean, from waste to wastewater. What difference does composting make when it comes to ocean health? What innovations are helping us better understand the ocean? How does diversity and inclusion affect ocean health? How can we help create more resilient coastlines in an accessible and sustainable way? Find out about some tangible actions and blue tech innovations that are scalable solutions for ocean health. What does this all mean when it comes to recognising the ocean's inherent rights?



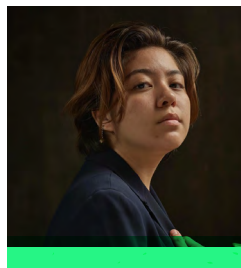
**Prof. Maria Rosa**

George & Carol Milne Assistant  
Professor of Biology  
Connecticut College



**Dr. Dennis Yancey**

Co-founder and CEO  
Marauder Robotics



**Lela DeVine**

Youth Leadership Council and  
Board of Directors Member  
EarthEcho International



**Dr. Elizabeth Mendenhall**

Assistant professor, Dept. of  
Marine Affairs, University of Rhode Island



## BEST PRACTICE VIDEO

### UPCYCLING DISCARDED FISHING NETS

Video showcasing Ulysse Nardin accelerating its use of innovative alternative materials with FIL&FAB.

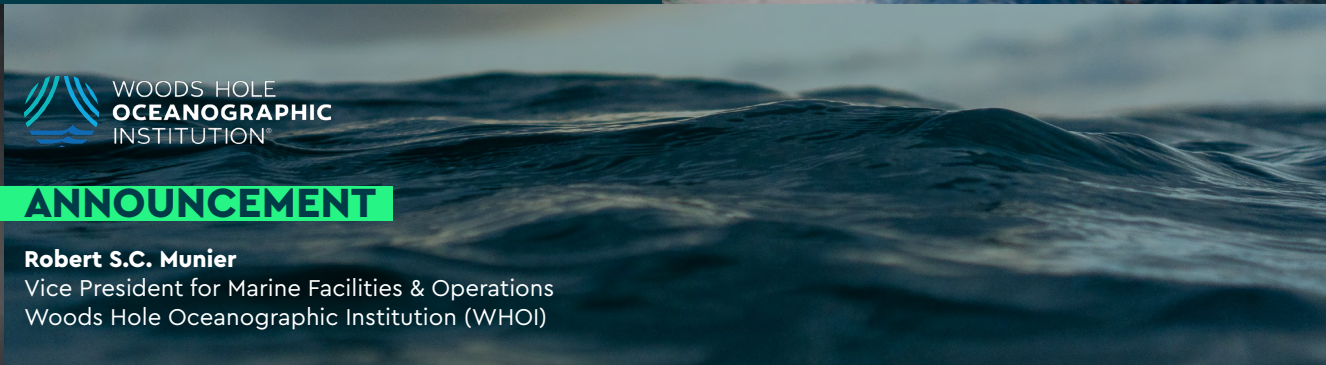


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**OCEANOGRAPHIC**  
INSTITUTION

## ANNOUNCEMENT

**Robert S.C. Munier**

Vice President for Marine Facilities & Operations  
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI)



## CLOSING SPEECH



**Wendy Schmidt**

Philanthropist, President and co-founder of the Schmidt Family Foundation and Schmidt Ocean Institute and co-founder of 11th Hour Racing

## CLOSING REMARKS



**Lucy Hunt**

Senior Advisor Summits & Learning  
The Ocean Race

## SUMMIT HOST



**Danni Washington**

TV host, science communicator and  
ocean advocate



# PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE



09:00 HOST INTRO AND WELCOME	
09:00	<b>Host Intro and Welcome</b> Danni Washington, TV host and Science Communicator
09:04	<b>Land Acknowledgement</b> Dinalyn Spears, Director of Community Planning/Natural Resources Dept., Vice-Chair Land & Water Resources Commission Vice-Chair, Narragansett Indian Tribe
09:12	<b>Welcome</b> Governor Daniel McKee & Mayor Xay Khamsyvoravong
09:18	<b>The Ocean Race welcome</b> Richard Brisius, Race Chairman of The Ocean Race
09:28	<b>Video:</b> One Blue Voice
09:32	<b>Keynote</b> Janet Coit, Assistant Administrator, NOAA Fisheries, U.S. Department of Commerce
09:40	<b>Video message</b> Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, United States Senator for Rhode Island
09:44	<b>PANEL 1 - Sport as a catalyst for positive change</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Charlie Enright, Skipper 11th Hour Racing</li> <li>- Zandile Ndhlovu, Ocean Explorer, Founder of The Black Mermaid Foundation</li> <li>- Jess Hotter, Freeride World Champion, POW Ambassador</li> </ul>
10:20	<b>Presentation - How to Save the World in less than Twenty Minutes: Simulating Climate Futures in EnROADS</b> Andrew Jones, Executive Director and Co-Founder, Climate Interactive & Laura Iyer, Climate Interactive
10:35 SHORT BREAK	
10:52	<b>Message</b> Terrence Gray, Director Dept Environmental Management Rhode Island
10:57	<b>Best practice video:</b> Healthy Soils Healthy Seas
11:03	<b>Presentation</b> Rachel Bustamante, Ocean Science & Policy Analyst, Earth Law Centre
11:09	<b>Video</b> Rhode Island State Announcement
11:16	<b>PANEL 2 - Shore to sea solutions for ocean health</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Maria Rosa, George &amp; Carol Milne Assistant Professor of Biology</li> <li>- Dr. Elizabeth Mendenhall - Assistant professor, Dept. of Marine Affairs, University of Rhode Island</li> <li>- Dr. Dennis Yancey, CEO of Marauder Robotics</li> <li>- Lela DeVine, Youth Leadership Council and Board of Directors Member - EarthEcho International</li> </ul>
11:36	<b>Best practice video:</b> On FIL & FAB Fibres x Ulysse Nardin
11:41	<b>Announcement</b> Robert S.C. Munier, Vice President for Marine Facilities & Operations Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI)
CLOSING	
11:47	<b>Closing speech</b> Wendy Schmidt, Philanthropist, President and co-founder of the Schmidt Family Foundation and Schmidt Ocean Institute and co-founder of 11th Hour Racing
11:55	<b>Closing Summary</b> Lucy Hunt, Senior Advisor, The Ocean Race Summits & Learning Advisor
12:00	Networking reception

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