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**“Sippin' with the Fishes” at McWane Science Center benefits Black Warrior Riverkeeper on January 18
Open bar and hors d'oeuvres in the Aquarium followed by the Wild Ocean IMAX® Movie**

Birmingham – McWane Science Center and Black Warrior Riverkeeper are hosting a FUNdraiser event called “Sippin’ with the Fishes” from 6:00pm – 8:30pm on Tuesday, January 18. Guests are invited to experience the aquarium after dark, and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and drinks including SweetWater beers. The event will then head to the IMAX® Dome Theater, where guests will learn about Black Warrior Riverkeeper’s water protection efforts from Nelson Brooke and watch the Wild Ocean film come alive on the largest movie screen in the state.

\$20 tickets include Wild Ocean IMAX®, Riverkeeper presentation, open bar, hors d'oeuvres, and parking. Purchase tickets by calling 205-714-8300 or visiting <http://www.mcwane.org/events>. Must be 21 & up to attend.

“We are so honored that the McWane Science Center is hosting this exciting event to help raise funds and awareness for local waterways,” said Charles Scribner, Black Warrior Riverkeeper’s Executive Director. “Before the incredible Wild Ocean film, Nelson Brooke will update guests about pollution issues such as the Shepherd Bend Mine proposal, a major threat to Birmingham’s drinking water.”

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Black Warrior Riverkeeper (www.blackwarriorriver.org) is a citizen-based nonprofit environmental advocacy organization whose mission is to protect and restore the Black Warrior River and its tributaries. A proud member of Waterkeeper Alliance, Black Warrior Riverkeeper was the Alabama Environmental Council’s 2007 Conservation Organization of the Year and the American Canoe Association’s 2008 Green Paddle Award winner. Our staff Riverkeeper, Nelson Brooke, won the Alabama Rivers Alliance’s 2010 River Hero Award. For more information contact Charles Scribner, Executive Director, at (205) 458-0095 or cscribner@blackwarriorriver.org