

About the Founder

In 2010 Christopher Porter, a lifelong marine animal trainer, experienced a change of heart. He decided to shift his efforts away from working with animals for captivity, and focus on wildlife conservation. There is a way to **support people's education of ocean life while keeping marine animals in their natural habitat.**

Ocean Walls is the result of over 25 years of Christopher's direct experience with animals in and out of captivity.

From 1986 until 2010, Christopher was a marine animal trainer at some of the world's leading aquariums, including the Vancouver Aquarium, Acquario di Genova and Victoria's Sealand, where he experienced the tragic killing of his friend and trainer in the tank with Tillikum, the killer whale featured in the documentary Blackfish. Christopher's experience is also shared in this CNN documentary.

In 2001 - seeing dolphins slaughtered on the beaches of the South Pacific for their teeth - Christopher worked to conserve dolphins and further the aquarium agenda by participating in the live capture and export of dolphins to aquariums overseas.

Always believing he had the best interests of the animals at heart, his journey in the industry has led him to make a new commitment to the idea that **marine animals need to stay in the ocean.**

