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# Press Release

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## **AUTHOR AND NATURALIST ALLAN SCHOENHERR TO SPEAK AT ENVIRONMENTAL NATURE CENTER**

**NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., January 5, 2017 – The Environmental Nature Center (ENC)** will host a presentation by author and naturalist Allan Schoenherr on January 19 at 6PM as part of the ENC Adult Speaker Series. Allan will present “Natural History of Open Space in Orange County,” a virtual journey down the paths and trails of wild Orange County. The Environmental Nature Center is located at 1601 E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, in Newport Beach. Registration is available at [encenter.org](http://encenter.org)

“Allan is a brilliant photographer and ecologist. We are thrilled to have him join our Adult Speaker Series,” said ENC Executive Director Bo Glover. “Allan’s knowledge of Orange County’s wildlife seems endless, and we are honored to have him speak at the Center.”

Allan is the author of several books including “A Natural History of California”, “Natural History of the Islands of California”, and “Wild and Beautiful: A Natural History of Open Spaces in Orange County”. He taught a long-running course on natural history of California at UCI, and he is emeritus professor of ecology in Fullerton College.

Guests will enjoy an open house with appetizers and Esser wine donated by the Apkarian Family, followed by the speaker at 7PM. This is an adult only event. Tickets (\$15 for non-members and \$10 for members) are available at [encenter.org](http://encenter.org).

### **About the ENC**

Founded in 1972, the ENC is a fascinating combination of 15 California native plant communities, wildlife habitat, walking trails, and sustainably designed, LEED Platinum certified learning center. For 40 years, the ENC has been shaped and caressed into a 3.5 acre landscape for learning, a sanctuary from life’s pressures and a place of preservation and instruction. Serving over 24,000 students and thousands of visitors annually, the ENC is recognized as a leader in science and social science education providing opportunities for increasing our community’s knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the natural world.

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The ENC recently purchased property to develop a nature play area, and construct our community's first nature based preschool. With a mission of providing quality education through hands-on experience with nature, the ENC inspires all generations to protect the natural world by serving as our community's foremost authority on ecological responsibility, sustainable practices and environmental education. The ENC is a non-profit 501(c)-3 public benefit corporation. For more information call 949-645-8489, or visit [www.ENCcenter.org](http://www.ENCcenter.org). The ENC is located at 1601 16th Street in Newport Beach.

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