

Where is the foam on the ocean coming from? Why is Clayoquot Sound a Biosphere Reserve? What are the ingredients of a coastal temperate rainforest?

Learn the answers to these frequently asked questions and many others during our new Raincoast Host training program.

Raincoast Host Program

The front-line staff of the hospitality industry is the primary point of interaction between visitors to the Clayoquot region and our communities. Resort staff and the staff of tourism-related businesses respond to countless questions from visitors. The Raincoast Host program is a **one day course** of instruction in local ecology and history. It will enable staff to answer commonly-asked questions about the environment and communities of the Clayoquot Biosphere region, and deliver key messages about how to explore the region safely and respectfully. Participants in the program will also become familiar with the resources at the Raincoast Interpretive Centre. Knowledgeable interpreters, local field guides, maps and displays at the RIC can help answer other questions that arise over the tourist season.

Course Details

Course Dates: Saturday, June 5th, Monday, June 21st or Saturday, June 26th (Other dates are possible if enrollment is >10 people.)

Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Location: Raincoast Interpretive Centre, Tofino. The course will involve classroom instruction and a one-hour interpretive hike at Tonquin Park.

Bring: Raingear, boots and a lunch.

Registration: 80.00 per person. Call 725-2560 to register.

Instructors: Barb Beasley (PhD) is a coastal ecologist who does forest and marine research, education and conservation projects. Adrienne Mason (BSc) is a biologist who writes books, articles and educational materials on various science and nature topics. Jen Pukonen (BSc) is the Program Coordinator for the Raincoast Interpretive Centre.

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