

Water Planet Gallery

The heart of the Steinhart Aquarium, Water Planet focuses on the universality of water wherever there is life, investigating the adaptations by organisms to live in the myriad niches resulting from water's many differences in chemistry, abundance or scarcity, temperature, and motion.

Unlike the other Aquarium exhibits that are habitat oriented (Philippine Coral Reef, California Coast, Rainforests of the World), Water Planet focuses on water itself and captures a strong sense of liquid flow. Walls are milled expanses that integrate a complex array of tanks, graphics, monitors and projection into seamless, flowing surfaces.

<i>Aeoliscus strigatus</i> (Centriscidae)	Shrimpfish aka Razorfish
<i>Ahaetulla fronticincta</i> (Colubridae)	Burmese Vine Snake
<i>Ameca splendens</i> (Goodeidae)	Butterfly Goodeid
<i>Anoplocapros lenticularis</i> (Aracnidae)	Australian Boxfish
<i>Aracana aurita</i> (Aracnidae)	Shaw's Boxfish
<i>Astyanax mexicanus</i> (Characidae)	Blind Cave Fish
<i>Aurelia aurita</i> (Ulmaridae)	Moon Jelly
<i>Carettochelys insculpta</i> (Carettochelyidae)	Pignose Turtle aka Fly River Turtle
<i>Cyprinodon macularius</i> (Cyprinodontidae)	Desert Pupfish
<i>Dolomedes tenebrosus</i> (Pisauridae)	Dark Fishing Spider
<i>Doryrhamphus janssi</i> (Syngnathidae)	Janss' Pipefish
<i>Fundulus chrysotus</i> (Fundulidae)	Golden Topminnow
<i>Gnathonemus petersi</i> (Mormyridae)	Elephantnose
<i>guentheri</i> (Aplocheilidae)	Nothobranchius Killifish
<i>Haliichthys taeniophorus</i> (Syngnathidae)	Ribboned Pipefish
<i>Haplopelma lividum</i> (Theraphosidae)	Cobalt Blue Tarantula
<i>Heloderma horridum</i> (Helodermatidae)	Beaded Lizard
<i>Hippocampus kuda</i> (Syngnathidae)	Spotted Seahorse
<i>Hippocampus</i> sp. (Syngnathidae)	Seahorses
<i>Ictiobus bubalus</i> (Catostomidae)	Smallmouth Buffalo fish
<i>Kryptopterus minor</i> (Siluridae)	Glass Catfish
<i>Latimeria chalumnae</i> (Latimeriidae)	Coelacanth (specimen)
<i>Lepisosteus oculatus</i> (Lepisosteidae)	Spotted Gar
<i>Lepisosteus osseus</i> (Lepisosteidae)	Longnose Gar
<i>Lethocerus americanus</i> (Belostomatidae)	Giant Water Bug
<i>Lygodactylus williamsi</i> (Gekkonidae)	Electric Blue Day Gecko
<i>Monocirrhus polyacanthus</i> (Nandidae)	Amazon Leaf Fish
<i>Neoceratodus forsteri</i> (Ceratodontidae)	Australian Lungfish
<i>Odontodactylus scyllarus</i> (Odontodactylidae)	Peacock Mantis Shrimp
<i>Perca flavescens</i> (Percidae)	Yellow Perch
<i>Pholidichthys leucotaenia</i> (Pholidichthyidae)	Engineerfish
<i>Phycodurus eques</i> (Syngnathidae)	Leafy Seadragon
<i>Phyllopteryx taeniolatus</i> (Syngnathidae)	Weedy Seadragon
<i>Polyodon spathula</i> (Polyodontidae)	Mississippi Paddlefish
<i>Pterapogon kauderni</i> (Apogonidae)	Banggai Cardinalfish
<i>Scaphirhynchus albus</i> (Acipenseridae)	Pallid Sturgeon
<i>Scaphirhynchus platyrhynchus</i> (Acipenseridae)	Shovelnose Sturgeon
<i>Sphaeramia nematoptera</i> (Apogonidae)	Pajama Cardinalfish
<i>Synodontis nigriventris</i> (Mochokidae)	Upsidedown Catfish
<i>Theلودerma corticale</i> (Rhacophoridae)	Vietnamese Mossy Frog

Xiphophorus hellerii (Poeciliidae)

Swordtail (red variant)