

## SalmonAid Festival This Weekend In Oakland

**Come by the SalmonAid Festival this Saturday and Sunday (May 31 and June 1) at Jack London Square in Oakland. The festival is free!** Noon to 7 pm both days.

Organized by the largest ever coalition of West Coast salmon advocates (including commercial, recreational and tribal fishermen, conservation organizations, chefs, restaurants, scientists, and many others), SalmonAid will raise awareness of the plight of west coast salmon populations, the rivers and streams they spawn in, and the many coastal and inland communities that rely on salmon for their livelihoods and survival. The festival will feature educational booths, activities and foods highlighting the natural history of salmon, as well as the history, culture and traditions of salmon towns and the peoples connected through our west coast salmon heritage - from Morro Bay, California to Bellingham, Washington, and inland to Idaho and Nevada.

**2 days of Salmon barbecues**

**2 days of [live music](#), 20 great bands on 2 stages, MC'd by KFOG's Big Rick Stuart**

**Commercial fishing boats**

**Gourmet [food](#) court, fine [wine](#) and [beer](#) garden**

**Information booths by a multitude of salmon-related [organizations](#)**

Don't forget to drop by the Alameda Creek Alliance booth at the Festival.

Get all the info on the Festival at [www.salmonaid.org](http://www.salmonaid.org)

If you want to volunteer for the festival, contact A.J. Pell at [alicejanepell@gmail.com](mailto:alicejanepell@gmail.com)

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### Fish Screens Dedicated

On May 20 the Alameda County Water District held a dedication ceremony to celebrate the completion of the first set of fish screens in the Alameda Creek flood control channel, which will improve steelhead trout migration in lower Alameda Creek. Check out the media articles on the fish screens:

Fremont Argus - May 20, 2008

[Screens Set Stage For Steelhead Return](#)

Fremont Bulletin - May 23, 2008

[Water District Dedicates Alameda Creek Fish Screens](#)

*Please note that I was misquoted and that I said this project would help restore steelhead trout in the Central California Coast population, not the entire west coast.*

KRON TV Ch 4 also ran a story on May 20 - we will try to get the video and post it to the ACA web site.