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Summer Swimming Lessons Offered at Aquatica™,
SeaWorld's Waterpark

SAN ANTONIO, TX (May 29, 2013) – Beginning June 10, children ages six months through 10 years can dive into swimming lessons at Aquatica, SeaWorld's Waterpark. Whether your child is new to the water or simply learning to become a stronger swimmer, Aquatica will have a class for every skill level.

Classes will be taught by certified American Red Cross water safety instructors who can teach several skill levels, so a child can easily build their confidence in the water. Younger children will learn basic aquatic skills such as blowing bubbles and treading water. Advanced classes will focus on specific skills such as arm strokes and leg kicks, as well as emergency assist techniques.

"As the Texas temperatures continue to rise, SeaWorld and Aquatica San Antonio would like to stress the importance of making sure children learn how to swim," said Tim Morrow, Vice President of Aquatica. "Research shows that if a child doesn't learn to swim before the third grade, they likely never will."

Two summer sessions will be offered, June 10 through July 19 and July 22 through August 23. Each session includes five classes that last 45 minutes and meet one day a week, Monday through Friday. Classes will be offered at 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. Each session is \$50 per

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student and \$40 for SeaWorld + Aquatica 1 Year or Platinum Pass Members. A SeaWorld + Aquatica Fun Card or Pass is required for admission to swimming lessons.

For specific dates, times and to make reservations, guests can call (800) 700-7786 or visit AquaticaSanAntonio.com.

## **Programs:**

- Parent & Child Aquatics (ages 6 months to 3 years) Parents join their little ones in the pool for an exciting introduction to the world of aquatics.
- Preschool Aquatics (ages 4 and 5) This beginners class teaches swimming basics like blowing bubbles and buoyancy. It's a great way for kids to start feeling comfortable in the pool.
- Learn to Swim: Levels 1 & 2 (ages 6 and older) Children will learn how to feel comfortable underwater – from blowing bubbles and treading water, to retrieving submerged objects and using both arms and legs to swim. (There are no prerequisites for this class.)
- Learn to Swim: Levels 3 & 4 (ages 6 and older) In this advanced swimming class, children will learn more complex swimming strokes while having fun at the same time. (Children must have a Level 2 certificate or must demonstrate all completion requirements in order to progress into deeper water.)

## **About SeaWorld**

SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment inspires millions, through the power of entertainment, to celebrate, connect with and care for the natural world. The Company has been creating innovative entertainment experiences that blend imagination with nature for more than 50 years and is best known for its 11 U.S. theme parks, attractions that hosted more than 24 million guests in 2012 and include the beloved SeaWorld, Busch Gardens and Sesame Place brands. The parks offer guests a variety of up-close experiences, from animal encounters that invite exploration and appreciation of the natural world, to thrilling rides and spectacular shows. In 2011 SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment began expanding its popular brands into media and entertainment platforms to connect people to nature and animals through movies, television, and digital media; plus began developing new lines of licensed consumer products. SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment employs more than 21,000 people nationwide.

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