

SANTA CATALINA ISLAND COMPANY

TAKE FLIGHT ON CATALINA ISLAND WITH NEW FALCONRY EXPERIENCE

The Santa Catalina Island Company Introduces New Interactive Falconry Experience at Descanso Beach Club

AVALON, Calif. (April 1, 2016) – The [Santa Catalina Island Company](#) is thrilled to introduce Catalina Falconry, an exciting new educational experience that provides an up close and personal experience with the centuries-old art of falconry at Descanso Beach Club. Master falconers will show falcons, hawks, and owls in their natural element during a 75-minute immersive demonstration.* Guests will watch these magnificent birds take flight, respond to their falconer’s call and dive at speeds of up to 100 mph!

Hosted by West Coast Falconry and at the invitation of On the Wing Falconry, founder Kate Marden has partnered with the Santa Catalina Island Company to host the experience. Participants are invited to meet nature’s swiftest predators, watch them speed through the air in a game of keep-away with their lure, and learn how to call a trained hawk to the glove. Next up is a meet-and-greet with a show-stopping owl while learning about these prehistoric hunters and their important role in the environment. The Catalina Falconry experience concludes with a photo opportunity with the birds.

“The Santa Catalina Island Company strives to provide our guests with the most innovative and exciting programming in Southern California and we are excited to introduce Catalina Falconry as a one-of-a-kind experience,” said Collier Cook, vice president of activities at Santa Catalina Island Company. “The art of falconry is both thrilling and educational, which is an ideal activity for families and groups.”

The Catalina Falconry experience is priced at \$109 per person for ages 9+. Observers and children ages 5-8 may participate as a spectator for \$70 per person. Group pricing is available upon request.

The experience takes place on the lawn at Descanso Beach Club on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday at 8:00am, 9:45am and 11:30am.

[Tickets](#) may be [purchased online](#) or by calling 877.778.8322.

**Participants are required to sign a release of reliability.*

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About Santa Catalina Island Company

Santa Catalina Island Company (SCICO) is a premier resort operator on Catalina Island, located 22 miles off the coast of southern California. SCICO offers an abundance of amenities including

Descanso Beach Club, Island Spa Catalina, Pavilion Hotel, Avalon Grille and new state-of-the-art beachfront meeting space, Catherine's Terrace, as well as Banning House and Harbor Reef Restaurant in Two Harbors. SCICO also boasts more than 25 activities and tours designed to introduce visitors to the island's natural beauty and rich history including the Zip Line Eco Tour, East End Adventure, Undersea Expedition and many more. For more information, please visit www.visitcatalinaisland.com.

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