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## Explore the 'Great Barrier Reef' with Great Lakes Science Center when new documentary opens Nov. 3 in the DOME Theater

**CLEVELAND** (October 5, 2018) – The stunning natural beauty and awe-inspiring underwater creatures of the Great Barrier Reef come to life on the giant dome screen at Great Lakes Science Center during this exploration of the world's largest living wonder.

"Great Barrier Reef," narrated by acclaimed Australian actor Eric Bana, opens Saturday, November 3 in the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater at the Science Center and is sure to captivate audiences of all ages with amazing images of the extraordinary sea life that inhabits the 1,400-mile-long reef.

The film celebrates one of the planet's most beautiful and bio-diverse eco-systems and introduces viewers to the "citizen science" movement where volunteers help researchers gain a better understanding of the natural world. "Great Barrier Reef" follows underwater photographer and reef native Jemma Craig on an expedition to document some of the work being done by volunteers, researchers and citizen scientists along the reef.

"Great Barrier Reef" brings viewers to an eco-resort on Lady Elliot Island and the Fitzroy Island Turtle Rehabilitation Center, and follows the cutting edge coral research being conducted at the Australian Institute for Marine Science. This unforgettable adventure wouldn't be complete without cameos from some of the undersea animals of the reef including majestic manta rays, thousands of migrating sea turtles, baby seahorses, dwarf minke whales, and one particular fish named Wally, a Maori wrasse whose photo-bombing skills are something of a local legend.

"Great Barrier Reef" is a December Media film produced in association with Slattery Family Trust, Biopixel, Soundfirm, Film Victoria and Screen Queensland, and is distributed by MacGillivray Freeman Films.

For more information, tickets and showtimes, visit GreatScience.com.

(Editor's Note: The Science Center's fall/winter operating hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The Science Center is closed on Mondays and during all Cleveland Browns home games.)

**About Great Lakes Science Center** 

Great Lakes Science Center, home of the NASA Glenn Visitor Center, makes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) come alive for more than 300,000 visitors a year through hundreds of hands-on exhibits, temporary exhibitions, the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater, Steamship *William G. Mather*, daily science demonstrations, seasonal camps, and more. The Science Center is funded in part by the citizens of Cuyahoga County through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Visit **GreatScience.com** for more information.

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