

# Ocean Optics

*and Mavericks Diving Present  
the Great Diving Adventure:*



## Destination Dominica – Island of Contrasts with “Izzy” Madisetti

**Free  
admission**

*Thursday 24th August 2006, 7 for 7.30pm*

Dominica is unique among the islands of the Caribbean. The island is volcanic and supports an eco system that attracts both those keen to explore underwater and those seeking adventure topside. This makes Dominica especially attractive to divers with partners and families that don't dive. Dominica stands over 1400 metres proud of the Caribbean sea and the rugged terrain means much of the island can only be accessed on foot. The winding nature trails take in over 350 rivers, which feed a multitude of waterfalls and lakes and as a result the island is lush with greenery. More than 170 species of birds are to be found on the island alongside in excess of a thousand flowering plants.

The seas surrounding Dominica teem with exotic marine life. The fish watcher and underwater photographer will discover endless species to enthral them. Angelfish compete for your attention against snake eels, seahorses, jacks and snappers. Sperm Whales, Dolphins and turtles represent the air breathers with other great whales regular migrants through Dominica's bountiful waters. Scenically, the underwater topography of Dominica ranges from gentle slopes of coral gardens through pinnacles and sheer drop-offs. There's something for everyone however new or experienced a diver you are.

Arun Madisetti, known to all as Izzy, is an accomplished underwater photographer whose work is represented by the prestigious

Seapics agency, he is a co director of Images Dominica based on the island. He holds a BSc in marine zoology and a postgraduate diploma in shellfish biology from his time at Bangor University. A journeyman whose career in diving has taken him around the world, Izzy is now the Manager for Dominica Marine reserves on the Island. It is his responsibility to ensure the oceans resources are maintained for future generations, like his young diving son, to enjoy.

Through words and pictures, Izzy will take us on a tour of sea and landscapes that will show you what this remarkable destination has to offer and provide a glimpse into his ongoing work in the field of marine conservation.

Izzy is an old friend of Optics and Mavericks and it is our pleasure to welcome you to an evening of entertainment and education that will introduce you to the terrestrial and marine wonders of the least discovered Caribbean Island.

Tickets are free, but you must pre register as places are limited and pick up your ticket at the showrooms on the night.

**The presentation will be held at Kings College opposite the shop and will last about two hours or so.**

Best wishes

Steve and the team.



**RSVP to:**

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