



# Free Public Forum at University of North Carolina Wilmington Hurricanes and Climate: What does the data show?



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Mark recently moved to Wilmington from the Outer Banks where he served as Director of Forecasting for the popular marine weather company Surflife, which is known for a global network of coastal web cams and wave forecasting services. Prior to that, he was a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center, NWS office in Morehead City, NC, and served as the Marine Program Manager for the NWS Eastern Region Headquarters in Long Island, NY. Mark received his Bachelor's degree in Meteorology from Florida State University and did his graduate work at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.



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Doors open at 6:15 PM  
Forum begins at 6:30 PM



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