

Thank you for registering for this program. We look forward to seeing you!

**Course:** Venomous Creatures of the Sonoran Desert

**Date(s):** November 9, 2019

**Time:** 8:00 a.m. – 12:00

**Instructor(s):** Michael Caldwell

**Where to Meet:** Education Annex

**What to Bring:** Notepad, pencil.

**What to Expect:** The class will consist of classroom lecture in which questions are welcome, supplemented by award-winning photography, unique videos and fascinating live displays of some of the most iconic venomous creatures of the Sonoran Desert.

#### About Your Instructor

Michael Cardwell is an Adjunct Research Associate in the Department of Biology at San Diego State.

Mike holds a BS degree (cum laude) in biology and an MS in Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation with a thesis examining the behavioral responses of Mohave Rattlesnakes to drought.

His study has resulted in multiple scientific papers and presentations and he was prominently featured in Animal Planet's Venom ER television series. Mike has spoken to hundreds of audiences around the country on venomous bites and stings, including multiple annual conferences of the Wilderness Medical Society and the National Association for Search & Rescue. He is co-editor of *The Biology of Rattlesnakes*, has served on the expert panel that updated medical treatment guidelines for pit viper bites north of Mexico and has taught the envenomation portion of paramedic programs at both Riverside Community College and Loma Linda University.

**Cancellation:** If cancellation is made more than 7 days in advance a 75% refund will be given. No refunds can be made within 7 days.

**Questions:** Contact Beth MacFarlane at [bmacfarlane@desertmuseum.org](mailto:bmacfarlane@desertmuseum.org) or by phone at 883-3025.