



Palace Entertainment, a California-based amusement park company, with 60 theme parks worldwide, now owns the lone Orca “**Lolita**” from the **Miami Seaquarium** (MSQ). This is an OPPORTUNITY to ask that “Lolita” be released back into the waters of her birth– **a request that has been repeatedly denied by MSQ’s current owners.**

Lolita, captured August 8, 1970, has suffered in the same barren tank at the Miami Seaquarium for over **48 years**. She lives a solitary life, performing in depressing daily shows for tourists. **Her tank is the smallest for an Orca in North America, and despite being in violation of the Animal Welfare Act, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) has yet to acknowledge these glaring discrepancies.**

Lolita was captured from the waters of Washington State where her mother “Ocean Sun” and extended family (L-Pod) still live. L-Pod is a resident group of orcas which researchers have sighted regularly over many decades. **The key factor standing between reunion of Lolita with her pod has been refusal by the Miami Seaquarium owners to allow for her retirement.**

Marine mammal experts have proposed **a retirement plan in which Lolita would be transferred to a coastal sea pen, and, once she re-learns the skills necessary for survival, rejoin her family in the wild.** Even if it is determined that Lolita is unable to recover from the years spent alone in a tank, she deserves to live as natural a life as possible.



For more information: www.origamiwhalesproject.org/lolita