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**INQUIRY INTO EXHIBITION OF EXOTIC ANIMALS IN
CIRCUSES AND EXHIBITION OF CETACEANS IN NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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I submit that the use of exotic animals as entertainment in circuses or holding dolphins, dugongs, sharks and any other kind of mammals or large fish in tanks is cruel and should be banned.

Obviously there is an amount of deprivation and pain involved for the creatures and the processes of training and then exhibition are frightening to them.

For the audience especially children, it gives them a faulty impression and goes against true education. (for instance to think that the dolphin's face is smiling and that it is enjoying itself jumping or balancing a ball on its nose when in fact it is doing it from hunger and fear.)

There are many more truthful and informative ways to study animals and marine life.
Thank you for engaging in this subject and receiving submissions