

RECIRCULATING AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS (RAS): DESIGN, MAINTENANCE, & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

Workshop led by:



March 6, 2025
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Aquaculture 2025
New Orleans, LA



Pricing Information:

- Base price: \$300
- US Chapter of WAS (USAS), NSA, NAA, or AFS-FCS Member: \$150
- Student Members (of same organizations): \$75
- WAS members can join USAS - only \$5!

To **register**, visit the World Aquaculture Society Website
(<https://www.was.org/meeting/corla/AQ2025>)

INSTRUCTORS



Tyler Gibson (B.S. Marine Biology, M.S. Marine Science) and **Katie Stasser** (B.S. Marine Biology, A.S. Marine Technology) collectively have over 20 years of aquaculture experience. Their backgrounds include RAS, pond, ocean cage, and flow-through systems. They are experienced in production of marine, freshwater, and ornamental finfish as well as microalgae, shrimp, bivalves and live feeds.

As the owners of **Blue Thumbs Consulting**, they are dedicated to improving aquaculture operations by providing all aspects of system improvement. They are experienced in system design, construction, building, and operations. They specialize in aquaculture workshops, staff training, recruiting, and protocol development.

The workshop will introduce participants to Recirculating Aquaculture Systems (RAS) and will walk through steps to design, maintain, and be successful with a RAS operation.

Morning (9 am - 12 pm)

- Intro to RAS
- Starting a RAS
- Designing your system

Afternoon (1:30 - 4 pm)

- Water quality
- Filtration
- System maintenance
- Animal husbandry

Workshop coordinated by USAS.
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