

is made of bone because they chew coral to eat the crabs and fish that live in it, so they can bite through the metal hooks. They are just incredibly strong fish, these little bulldozers, so even when you hook one the chance of landing it is low.

Synopsis: What do you do when you catch them? **MS:** I just catch and release. **Synopsis:** Do you have any other upcoming goals that aren't fish-related? **MS:** [laughs] Not really.

Synopsis: Do you collect anything?

MS: I used to collect jazz music but that's tapered off. I was a big jazz-head when I was in residency. **Synopsis:** Do you play jazz? **MS:** I played piano as a kid and I played bass when I was in college. But I was horrible—not just bad—I was horrible, like Elaine's "little kicks" dancing in *Seinfeld*. Horrible.



Dr. Matthew Sweet fishing for steelhead with his dog, Atticus.

Synopsis: What would you be if not a surgeon?

MS: If I wasn't in medicine, I would love to be doing something outdoors. Maybe something like a park ranger. I wouldn't want to work all alone or somewhere like the deep in the recesses of Alaska but I would love to be in the mountains, doing something with my hands and working outdoors.

Synopsis: Are you team iPhone or Android and what is your favorite phone app?

MS: iPhone and I like Instagram. **Synopsis:** For fish photos? **MS:** Yup, for fish photos. **Synopsis:** Do you post any of the photos? **MS:** No comment [laughs]—OK, yes I do.

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DR. ALFRED A. STRAUSS LECTURE

Friday, October 13, 2017

Harkins Symposium

7:00am—2:30pm, Alder Auditorium

68th Annual Dr. Alfred A. Strauss Lecture

4:00pm, Health Sciences Building,
Hogness Auditorium

4TH ANNUAL FULL SPECTRUM OF HEART FAILURE THERAPY: MANAGING THE TRAJECTORY

Friday & Saturday, October 20–21, 2017

Four Seasons Hotel, Seattle, WA

DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM & 24TH ANNUAL HELEN AND JOHN SCHILLING LECTURE

Friday, February 16, 2018

Department of Surgery Research Symposium

7:00am—2:30pm, UW Tower Auditorium

24th Annual

Helen and John Schilling Lecture

3:00pm, UW Tower Auditorium

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