2017 Annual Conference in San Francisco, CA Program

The main conference venue is the Argonaut Hotel, 495 Jefferson Street, San Francisco, CA.

Tuesday, April 18, 2017
San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park Visitor Center (499 Jefferson Street)

5:00-6:00pm  Registration open at the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park Visitor Center - enter from the Argonaut Hotel lobby.

Wednesday, April 19, 2017
All Wednesday sessions at the Golden Gate C Room of the Argonaut Hotel unless indicated otherwise.

7:30-8:45am  Registration at Argonaut Hotel
Continental breakfast at 8am in Golden Gate Room C

8:45-9:00am  Welcome and Announcements: Greg Gorga, CAMM President

9:00-9:50am  Opening session
Focusing the Maritime Lens at San Francisco Maritime NHP
Lincoln Paine – Trustee Maine Maritime Museum
Morgan Smith - Chief of Interpretation, SFMNHP
Gina Bardi – Reference Librarian, SFMNP
Kirsten Kvam, Curator Registrar, SFMNPA

9:55-10:45am  Session 2
Encounter & Endeavour: An Australasian view of commemorating Cook’s Endeavour Voyage in 2019-2020
Richard G Ferguson - Project Manager Cook 250th Anniversary Program, Australian National Maritime Museum

An Unforgettable Journey -- Discovering Hidden Values Found in the Production of a Documentary Film
Samuel Heed - Senior Historian & Director of Education, Kalmar Nyckel Foundation

10:45-11:00am  Break
11:00am-11:50pm  Session 3
New Initiatives at Historic Naval Ships Association
William B. Cogar – Executive Director, Historic Naval Ships Association

The Once and Future Ocean
Peter Neill – Director, World Ocean Observatory

11:50-1:05pm  LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:05-2:05pm  Session 4 (Museum Updates)
1812 Gunboat Schooner Porcupine, the Schoolship for Presque Isle Bay
Richard Eisenberg - Co-Founder and Executive Director, Bayfront Maritime Center

Edna E Lockwood: A Restoration Plan and Practice
Michael A. Gorman - Boatyard Manager, Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum
Todd Croteau - Heritage Documentation Programs, U.S. National Park Service

Drawing Out the Past: Recent Innovations in Documenting Historic Small Craft
John C. Muir, Curator of Small Craft, SFMNH

2:10-3:00pm  Session 5
Cold War Collecting and the Indigenous Past: Building the History of a West Greenland Kayak
Roger Marsters – Curator of Marine History, Maritime Museum of the Atlantic

When Cannibalism is Your Story: Humanizing Maritime Disaster Narratives in the Museum
Michael R. Harrison - Chief Curator, Nantucket Historical Association

3:00-3:15pm  Break

3:15-4:05pm  Session 6
Creativity & Compromise: Mass Digitization for Maritime Collections
Evelyn Ansel - Project Archivist/Digitization Specialist, MIT Museum, Hart Nautical Collection, and Herreshoff Marine Museum

Digitizing the National Fisherman Collection
Ben Fuller - Curator, Penobscot Marine Museum

4:10-5:00pm  Session 7
Where’s My Bell? Case Studies of the Issues with Long Term Loans
Jeff Bowdoin - Deputy Head, Curator Branch, Naval History and Heritage Command

Defining a Scope of Collections for a National Naval Museum

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Beth Sanders – Registrar, National Museum of the U.S. Navy

6:00-8:15 pm  Red and White Cruise and Reception
Meet at the ticket booth at Pier 43 ½. Boarding at 6pm. The boat leaves at 6:15 and offloads at 8:15.

Thursday, April 20, 2017
All Thursday sessions at the Golden Gate C Room of the Argonaut Hotel unless indicated otherwise.

7:30-8:45 am  Registration at Argonaut Hotel
Continental breakfast at 8am in Golden Gate Room C

8:45-9:00 am  Welcome and Announcements: Greg Gorga, CAMM President

9:00-9:50 am  Session 8
Partners in Storytelling
Ray Ashley – President/CEO, Maritime Museum of San Diego
Andrea Compton – Superintendent, Cabrillo National Monument

9:55-10:45 am  Session 9
Partnership for Preservation of Alcatraz Lighthouse
Ralph Eshelman & Candace Clifford - United States Lighthouse Society

10:45-11:00 am  Break

11:00 am-11:50 am  Session 10
Digitizing the Museum: The Sailors’ Snug Harbor Archives at Fort Schuyler
John Rocco - Professor of Humanities, MNST Grad Coordinator, SUNY Maritime College, Maritime Industry Museum at Fort Schuyler

Walking on Water? Maritime Museums and Walking Tours
William Roka – Historian, South Street Seaport Museum

11:50-1:15 pm  LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:15-2:00 pm  Relevance through Facilitated Dialogue
Tour introduction presentation
Morgan Smith - Chief of Interpretation, SFMNHP

1:45 – 2:00  Break

2:00-4:45 pm  Tours of San Francisco National Maritime Historical Park and ships

5:15-7:30  Potomac cruise
Meet at the Potomac dock: Hyde Street Harbor (2951 Hyde Street). Boarding
at 5:15. The boat leaves at 5:30.

Friday, April 21, 2017
All Friday sessions at the Maritime Research Center at Fort Mason Center (2 Marina Boulevard, Building E, 3rd Floor).

7:30-8:45am Registration at Maritime Research Center
Pastries and coffee at 8am

8:45-9:00am Welcome and Announcements: Greg Gorga, CAMM President

9:00-9:50am Session 11
Building a Culture of Philanthropy
Greg Gorga - moderator
Stephen C. White – Mystic Seaport Museum
Andrew Wooden, Head of School, Marymount School, Santa Barbara
Tom Parker, Chairman, Hutton Parker Foundation
Grant Cambridge, trustee and Advancement Committee Chair, Mystic Seaport Museum

9:55-10:45am Session 12
Offloading: Lightening the Collection Load
Ben Fuller - Curator, Penobscot Marine Museum
Dana Hewson - Vice President for Watercraft Preservation and Programs & Clark Senior Curator for Watercraft, Mystic Seaport Museum
Paul F. Johnston, Curator of Maritime History, National Museum of American History
Pete Lesher, Chief Curator, Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

10:45-11:00am Break

11:00am-11:50pm Session 13
Wisconsin’s Underwater Treasures: Anatomy of an Exhibition
Rolf E Johnson, CEO, Wisconsin Maritime Museum

The Wavertree Project
Captain Jonathan Boulware, Executive Director, South Street Seaport Museum

11:50-1:05pm BOX LUNCH

1:05-1:55pm Session 14 (Museum Updates)
Becoming a Community Anchor
Alice Estrada - Executive Director Annapolis Maritime Museum

Falls of Clyde: An Update
Matthew James – Board Member, Falls of Clyde
Creative Re-use of America’s Light Stations
Wayne Wheeler – President, U.S. Lighthouse Society

2:00-2:50pm CAMM Annual Meeting

2:50-3:05pm Break

3:05-4:05pm Session 15
Building the Nest: Responsible Historic Vessel Acquisition
Nathaniel Howe – Executive Director, Northwest Seaport

When Your Museum Floats: Collections Management Issues in Maritime Museums
Martina Caruso – Collections Manager, South Street Seaport Museum

4:10-5:00pm Session 16
The David Rumsey Map Center as a Resource for International Maritime Research
G. Salim Mohammed - Collections Curator, David Rumsey Map Center, Stanford University Library
Samuel Shogren - Archaeologist & Consultant

5:00-6:00pm Free Time

6:00-9:00pm Closing Dinner at Capurro’s Restaurant and Bar
Located at 498 Jefferson Street, San Francisco