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## Working Harbor Committee

For the heritage and future of the harbor of New York and New Jersey

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E-Newsletter of the Working Harbor Committee

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**WHC Spring Gala Raffle**

## Working Harbor Committee Gala Raffle

Original framed watercolor "In the Kill van Kull" by noted waterfront artist Naima Rauam



"In the Kill van Kull" by Naima Rauam

([www.artpm.](http://www.artpm.com)

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Picture dimensions: Unframed: 11" high x 15" wide - Framed: 18" high x 22" wide  
Over \$1,500 value framed

The Kill van Kull is a tidal strait between Staten Island, NY and Bayonne, NJ, heavily used by container ships and oil tankers. It is spanned by the Bayonne Bridge, world's longest steel arch bridge, built in 1931. Naima says "When I lived on Staten Island, I often roamed along the shores of this busy waterway, looking for interesting compositions. I added falling snow to give the scene a more complex dimension."

**Tickets: \$25 each or 5 for \$100**

Proceeds benefit the Working Harbor Committee and its mission to educate people about the history and value of our working harbor.

Drawing to take place at the annual WHC Gala honoring Lucy Ambrosino  
Tuesday Evening - 26 February 2013 - India House Club - Marine Room

**You need not be present to win**

[Click here to purchase tickets](#)

**Reminder: WHC Spring Gala Honoring Lucy Ambrosino**



**Dr. Roberta Weisbrod  
Chair of the Working  
Harbor Committee  
cordially invites you  
to attend**

**The Eighth  
Annual Gala  
Award Reception  
Honoring  
Lucy  
Ambrosino**

**Tuesday, 26 February  
2013**

**at India House Club in Manhattan**

Lucy Ambrosino is being honored for her ardent commitment to the Port of New York and New Jersey and the working harbor which supports it. An effective and committed consensus builder, Lucy is a strong advocate and enthusiastic participant in all efforts to educate the public about the value of the working harbor.

**One Hanover Square - New York City, NY 10004  
6 pm – 8:30 pm - Business Attire**

**The award will be presented at 7:15 pm by**

**Capt. Andrew McGovern  
President of New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots Association**

**[For Tickets or Journal Ads, Click Here](#)**

**Check Out Our Blog!**



Ellis Island Immigration Museum. The storm surged onto the South Side of Ellis Island, depositing debris and flooding the basements of the historic hospital and administration buildings. Photo by NPS/Leonard

Check out the Working Harbor Committee Blog at [workingharbor.wordpress.com](http://workingharbor.wordpress.com) for all kinds of harbor news and tidbits. If you want to get automatic emails on each new post, click on "Follow" and enter your email.

Our blog is edited and posted by WHC Steering Committee Member Mai Armstrong, our Development and Communications Associate

**Click on any of the following sampling of blog posts to view:**

[\*Cleaning Up After Sandy in Barnegat Bay\*](#)

[\*PNCT Prepares for Panama Canal Expansion with \\$500 Million Infrastructure Upgrade\*](#)

[\*Ellis Island Collection Moved Due to Sandy Damage\*](#)

[\*Seastreak Ferry Accident Update: 57 Injured; 2 Critical, 9 Serious\*](#)

[\*BREAKING NEWS from NY1: Ferry Accident at Pier 11\*](#)

[\*Nat'l Parks Service Closing Staten Island Marina Devastated by Sandy\*](#)

[\*1,000 Ships Trapped in China Sea Ice\*](#)

[\*Staten Island Ferry Pilot To Run On Natural Gas\*](#)

[\*Global Shipping Volumes Hit Record High as Prices Fall\*](#)

[\*EPA's Gowanus Cleanup Plan to Address Raw Sewage Pollution\*](#)

[\*Port Strike Looms\*](#)

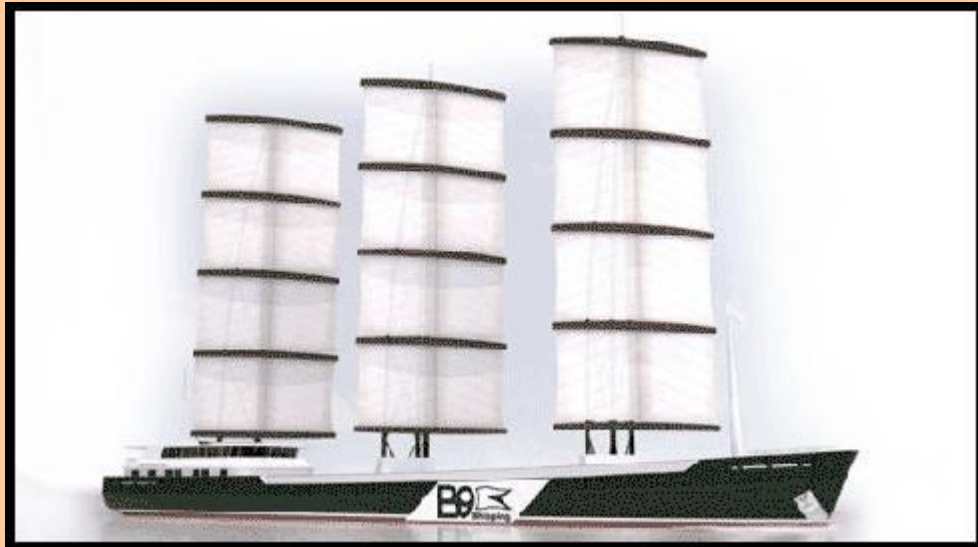


[\*Oil Tanker Runs Aground on Hudson River\*](#)  
[\*East River Ferry Success Spurs Plan for Five More Years\*](#)  
[\*National Moment of Silence #MomentforSandyHook\*](#)  
[\*Mississippi River Facing Shipping Crisis\*](#)  
[\*Fuel Barge Leaks Fuel Oil in KVK\*](#)

Blogs Posts from 16 Dec 2013 - 12 Jan 2013  
To see more posts [click here](#)

**Plus Donjon Marine comes to the rescue after Sandy - [Click Here](#)**

**Winter Film Evening: Sailing Ships at Work - Then and Now**



Check out this link for a exciting new green ship design:  
[b9energy.com](http://b9energy.com)

**Spring Evening Program**  
**Sailing Ships at Work**  
**Then and Now**

**Wednesday, 10 April 2013**  
**6 – 9 p.m.**

Community Church of New York  
40 E. 35th Street  
New York, NY 10016

**Tickets will be available soon**

**Join WHC for an evening of film, discussion and refreshments as we revisit the great Age of Sail and highlight today's use of sailing vessels to**

**transport cargo, including cocoa beans to Brooklyn, passengers and more.**

## **South Street Seaport Museum Re-Opens after Sandy**



Photos © Karli Cadel 2013. Left – a small part of the 800 or so folks celebrating the re-opening. Right – Mayor Bloomberg speaking at the celebration.

On 15 January the South Street Seaport Museum celebrated its re-opening after Superstorm Sandy with a party and reception. A surprise guest was NYC Mayor Bloomberg who said many nice things about the Museum, in a speech filled with numerous (and humorous) nautical metaphors. The event took place in the galleries of the Museum as well as at nearby Bowne & Co and was attended by several hundred supporters. Two new exhibits were in place-A Fisherman's Dream: Folk Art by Mario Sanchez and Street Shots/NYC.

The South Street Seaport Museum was founded by the Working Harbor Committee's Chair Emeritus, Peter Stanford.

For more, visit [www.SeaNY.Org](http://www.SeaNY.Org)

**New Series of Narrated Tours - Beyond Sandy  
Keeping the Conversation Alive**

## **BEYOND SANDY**

Beginning in May, the Working Harbor Committee, in partnership with Circle Line Downtown and New York Water Taxi, will offer a five month series of special Hidden Harbor Tours focused on the effects of Sandy on the maritime industry and waterfront, and the regions' planning for sea-level rise and other manifestations of global warming.

The tours will include guest speakers from the maritime industry talking about the impact of the storm on their

business and infrastructure, NYC and NJ agencies talking about future plans on how to avoid destruction from storms such as Sandy, historians & scientists talking about impact of previous storms on our harbors, and many other experts on the subject.

The speakers will represent a large variety of proposed ideas and actions, ranging from controversial sea gates to wetland restorations, waterfront zoning changes and much more. Some argue that massive sea barriers are essential, while other say they are a fool's solution, doomed to fail. Some say we must fight the ocean with high tech solutions while others say we should consider retreat in some cases. Move infrastructure higher? Create wetlands and oyster reefs? And we'll learn about little known facts, such as what local maritime company pumped out the City's subway tunnels? And how many days can the region survive a major port disruption before the effects show up on store shelves.

The Working Harbor Committee's Beyond Sandy Tours will explore these ideas close up from the water perspective, onboard Circle Line Downtown's excursion vessel Zephyr. Tickets will become available by the next edition of On The Hip.

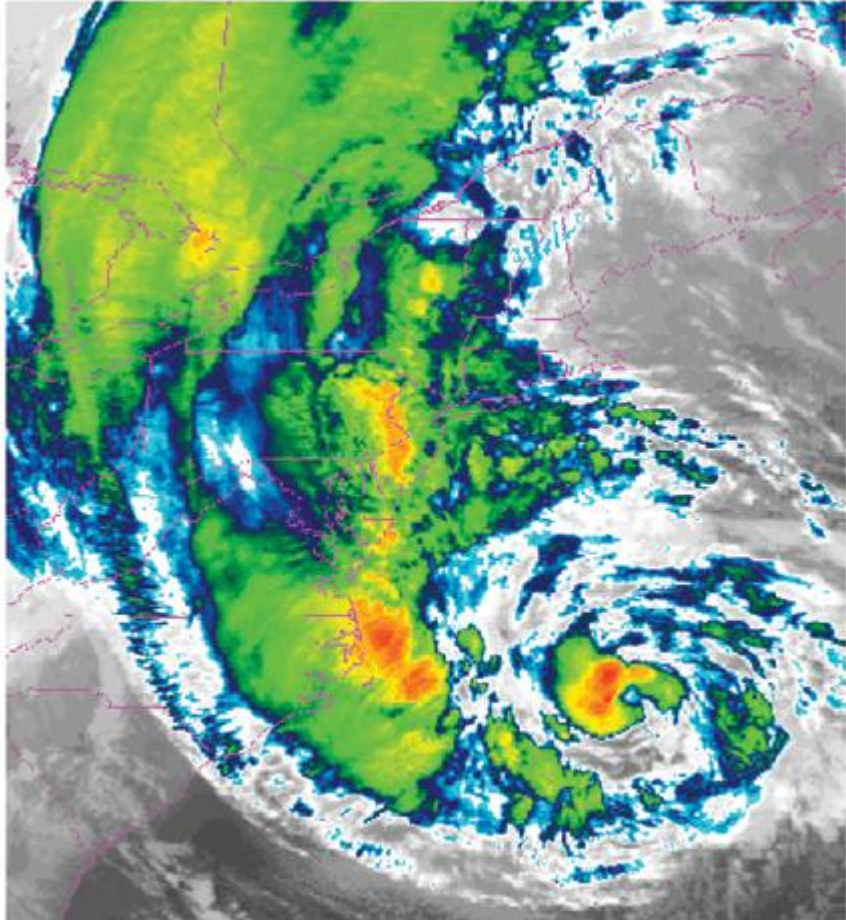


Image credit: University of Wisconsin. Thanks to Philip Orton, Stevens Institute

**Seal Watching Tours from New York Water Taxi**



**Step aboard the New York Water Taxi for a winter adventure in New York Harbor!** Look for harbor seals on the rocky shores of Governors Island and the more remote Hoffman and Swinburne Islands. Learn about the surprisingly diverse winter birds of New York City, including ducks, geese, loons, and sandpipers – many of which migrate south from the Arctic Circle. Dress warmly and bring your binoculars because there will be plenty to see!

Departs Pier 17, South Street Seaport  
27 January and 3 February  
2:00pm – 4:00pm

**[Click Here for Tickets](#)**

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Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on a Hidden Harbor Tour® soon!

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