



Working Harbor Committee

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Celebrating our 10th Anniversary Year

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Special Hidden Harbor Tour: Circumnavigation of Staten Island



Graveyard of Ships (c) 2010 Mitch Waxman

Circumnavigating Staten Island The Essential Waterfront

Saturday, 3 November 2012

Departs 11:00 am - Returns 2:30 pm

Slip 5 at Battery Maritime Building
10 South Street

CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS

Staten Island is the gateway to New York Harbor. Even though it is geographically closer to New Jersey than to the other boroughs, the island's coastline figures large in the city's marine history-- both strategically and economically. How will Staten Island and its waterfront figure in the city's future? In conjunction with the Museum of the City of New York's current exhibition From Farm to City: Staten Island, 1661-2012, the Working Harbor Committee and the Museum co-present a three-hour boat trip around Staten Island that will explore its past, present and future.

From a unique offshore vantage point, participants will explore the shoreline, coves and lighthouses; view the site of the newly-proposed, 625-foot-high Ferris Wheel in St. George; and engage in conversation about the future of the waterfront, the harbor, and the ferries. The trip will head down Kill van Kull, passing by Caddell Dry Dock & Repair Company and other marine service enterprises; sail under the Bayonne, Goethals, Outerbridge Crossing and Verrazano-Narrows bridges; and pass the village of Tottenville on the southwest shore, and Stapelton, home of the Sandy Hook Pilots and New York City's fireboats. Our onboard guides include historians, city-planners, and waterfront professionals.

Co-sponsored by the
Museum of the City of New York

RESERVATIONS AND PREPAYMENT REQUIRED

\$35 Museum of the City of New York members; South Street Seaport Museum members; Working Harbor Committee

WHC - enter code WHC113 when asked on checkout

\$40 general public

Tour meets at the Battery Maritime Building, Slip 5.

The Battery Maritime Building is located at 10 South Street in lower Manhattan, adjacent to the Staten Island Ferry.

By subway: 1 to South Ferry; 4, 5 to Bowling Green; R to Whitehall St.

By bus: M6, M9, M15

By car: There is no public parking at the Governors Island ferry building. There is garage parking across the street from the Battery Maritime Building (for a fee).

Our vessel, *SeaStreak* has a snack & beverage concession on board, but guests are welcome to bring their own food.

[CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)

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Walking Tour of Staten Island with Mitch Waxman

**11:00am – 1:00pm
Saturday, 13 October 2012**

[Click Here To Buy Tickets!](#)

Join WHC's Mitch Waxman for an intense exploration of the Staten Island coastline of the Kill Van Kull, the busy waterway connecting Port Elizabeth-Newark with the lower harbor. Expect tugboats, special guests and a few surprises as we walk the two miles from the Staten Island Ferry terminal at St. George to Sailors Snug Harbor, home of the Noble Maritime Collection, featuring works of maritime artist John A. Noble.

Mitch Waxman is a photographer and historian known for his work documenting Newtown Creek and the Hidden Harbor. A Working Harbor Steering Committee Member and official photographer, Mitch enjoys sharing the obscure, unique and often overlooked facets of the harbor of New York and New Jersey.

MEET UP

Meet at the St. George Ferry terminal in Staten Island, walk to the outside plaza at the north end exit (toward the baseball stadium, plaza above/over the cab stand), at 11:00am.

Ends at Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden, Nobel Maritime collection at 1:00pm.



Top: Mitch Waxman **Bottom:** Staten Island Ferry (c) Mitch Waxman

20th Annual Tug Race a Big Success

20th Annual Tugboat Race & Competition

Sponsored by the
Working Harbor
Committee
With Circle Line
Sightseeing Cruises
and
Friends of Hudson
River Park

A Great Success

21 Tugs
participated
Overall Winner:
Lincoln Sea - 5:01

[Click Here for Results](#)

Check Out These Great Blogs and Photo Sites of the Tugboat Race:

[Working Harbor Committee Blog](#) (Mai Armstrong, WHC Steering Committee Member)

[Wind Against Current](#) (Johna Till Johnson - Photos by Vladimir Brezina)

[Frogma](#) (Bonnie)

[Tugster: Part A](#) (Will Van Dorp)

[Tugster: Part B](#)

[Tugster: Part C](#)

[Tugster: Part D](#)

[Mitch Waxman Photos](#) (WHC Steering Committee Member)

[Tugrace Video on YouTube](#) (video by David Silver)



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**A poem sent to us from a recent Hidden Harbor Tour rider:
Joe Tessitore**



Photo (c) 2011 Mitch Waxman

Kill Van Kull

A green and red buoy stands marking Van Kull
And perched right atop it a white laughing gull.

Together they watch at the door to the Kill;
Now ringing, now laughing 'till both have their fill

Of ships and foul weather that rock their small space;
For always together, all hardships they face.

What lesson for us who look on from the shore?
Never go it alone nor a neighbor ignore.

The gull and the buoy - their friendship has shown
Never keep to yourself, lest you sink like a stone.

Joe Tessitore

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

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