



Working Harbor Committee

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

Celebrating our 10th Anniversary Year

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From the Executive Director

Many people have been asking about purchasing tickets for some of our upcoming specialty tours, in particular, OpSail 2012 VIP Parade Tour on 23 May. Unfortunately, the departure time for this tour has been changed by the US Navy twice and is still not firm. But as a courtesy to all that receive our newsletter, we will accept pre-reservations for this tour. There are only 200 tickets available, so please follow the pre-registration instructions under the article below.

Tickets for our Newtown Creek tour on 3 June and a Lighthouse Tour will be available to purchase later this month.

NEWS

The Working Harbor Blog

Please go to workinoharbor.wordpress.com for all kinds of harbor news and tidbits



Doswell on the bow of the South Street Seaport Museum's tug *W. O. Decker*. Unfortunately our Hidden Harbor Tours on *Decker* are still not possible due to repairs that needs to be funded.

updated frequently by our Communications expert Mai Armstrong. If you want to get automatic emails on each new post, click on "Follow" at the lower right hand corner of the window and enter your email.

Harbor Voices Podcasts

These are short interviews with NY/NJ Harbor personalities, old salts, captains & deck hands, shippers and port terminals operators, tug boat operators and historic maritime experts and many others. They will be on our website soon as we complete them and also via iTunes and other media. They are being produced with help from two interns from The Harbor School - more on that later.

Walking Tours

Stay tuned for a series of **Hidden Harbor Walking Tours** starting in June. Exact dates & time as well as ticketing will be in the next edition. Initially we'll offer two tours each month through September.

- Downtown & Seaport Historic District - Hosted by Capt Maggie Flanagan
- Kill van Kull - Hosted by Mitch Waxman
(both members of WHC steering committee)

Now on to upcoming events and other news below. I hope to see you at our "All About Tugs" evening on 17 April.

Capt John Doswell

"All About Tugs" Panel & Film Evening - 17 April



A Look Inside The Tugboat Industry. How it was then? What it is today and why it's important.

The evening will begin with Walt Disney's 1948 "Little Toot", a cartoon about a little tug that could. Following that will be two tug industry documentaries: "Tugs" by filmmaker Jessica Edwards and "Tugging Through Time, The History of New York Harbor Tugboats" by filmmaker Tom Garber.

Afterwards there will be a panel of tug captains, crew, owners and professionals. The

panelists will talk about their maritime experiences and will take questions from the audience. A reception with food, beer and wine will follow the films & panel. The panel will be moderated by Capt. Betsy Frawley Haggerty

The film **Tugs**, by noted filmmaker Jessica Edwards, was screened at numerous international film festivals and features tugboats from Miller's Launch with scenes of the everyday work life on a tug. It ends with dramatic images from the 18th Annual Great North River Tugboat Race & Competition. The film features Captain Fred Kosnac III, Captain Glen Miller, Veronica Kosnac-Rafone, Teresa Baldini and Working Harbor Committee's own Captain John Doswell and Captain Jerry Roberts.

Tugging Through Time, The History of New York Harbor Tugboats, a documentary by award-winning filmmaker Tom Garber, combines rare footage of early steam tugs, onboard footage of today's modern tugs and interviews with tug company presidents to tell the story of an industry that has been filled with determination, drive and courage from the very beginning. It shows the heroic role tugboats and their crews played in the 9/11 "boat lift" that brought hundreds of thousands of people to safety following the terrorist attacks. And it shows tug crews joyously competing for honors at New York Harbor's annual tugboat race and competition.

6:00 pm – Check in & enjoy light snacks and beverages

6:30 pm – Program begins

8:30 pm – Reception to meet the panelists

Wine, beer, soda, coffee, tea, assorted hors d'oeuvres

Price — Adults: \$25, Seniors (62+) \$20

[Seating is Limited - Click Here for Tickets Now](#)

Community Church of New York
40 East 35th Street
New York, NY 10019

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Special OpSail 2012 Tall Ships Hidden Harbor Tour



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Special OpSail 2012 Tall Ships Hidden Harbor Tour
22 May @ 6:15PM
3 Hours

See, close up, several international tall ships from around the world at anchor, south of the Verrazano Bridge as they gather in preparation for the big parade on 23 May.

Vessels will include: *Cisne Branco* a full rigged ship from Brazil. *Cuauhtemoc* a barque from Mexico. *Dewaruci* a barquentine from Indonesia. *Eagle* a barque from the USA. *Etoile* a topsail schooner from France. *Gloria* a barque from Colombia. *Guayas* a barque from Equador. *Juan Sebastian De Elcano* a topsail schooner from Spain. *La Belle Poule* a topsail schooner from France.

Expert guest narrators will talk about each vessel, from particulars to history to inside stories. Does not include boarding of vessels.

[Click here to purchase tickets for this exciting new tour!!](#)

[Click here to enter OpSail 2012 website](#)

NEW! VIP OpSail 2012 Parade of Sail Tour - 23 May



NEW! VIP OpSail 2012 Parade of Sail Tour
23 May @ am time TBD*
3 hours

Optimal viewing of the Parade of Ships
Tall Ships, Small Vessels and Fleet Week Navy Ships will be in the parade

The tour will be aboard the luxurious vessel *Zephyr* and will include brunch
To reserve seats, just send an email to John@workingharbor.org.

[Click here to enter OpSail 2012 website](#)

*Parade schedule still being settled by the USN

Newtown Creek Tour 3 June!!



(c) 2011 Mitch Waxman

Come aboard for an intense Newtown Creek exploration! Our comfortable charter boat will travel the length of Newtown Creek. The tour will pause at many interesting locations for narration and discussion. Guest narrators will cover historical, environmental, and conservation issues as well as the current use of the creek for maritime purposes. Our guest narrators will include several tugboat operators.

We will be on a large comfortable vessel with indoor & outdoor seating. Map and handouts are provided. Beverages are available and you may bring your own snacks.

3rd June
10am-1pm

Ticket will be avail soon, next edition.

CMA Shipping 2012 Booth a Success!



Standing Nelson Chin, Maggie Flanagan & John Doswell.
Seated Wendy Range & Jean Preece.

Gretchen Mackenzie, Alan Rice, and Meadows Ryan. Also busy representing WHC, Development Director Meg Black and for the South Street Seaport Museum, Waterfront Director Jonathan Boulware. A very special thanks to Capt. Maggie Flanagan who helped with graphics for the combined booth, drove everything up and back and helped set, pulled together the SSSM materials and provided the shared centerpiece (a model of *Lettie G Howard*) and generally instilled good tabling techniques for all involved.

Everyone covered our combined messages very well and we were a true team with no distinction between WHC & SSSM volunteers. We made numerous new contacts and engaged many folks directly and generally made a strong and good impression. For the Museum, we emphasized the story of maritime history of NY Harbor and for WHC, we talked about the importance of current and future working harbor – exemplifying something that our common founder, Peter Stanford, has said frequently - that history is a continuum from past to present to future.

The Working Harbor Committee was fortunate enough to get a free exhibit booth at the 27th annual Connecticut Maritime Association (CMA) Shipping 2012 conference and exhibition, 19-21 March.

Thanks to the team for a successful 3-day experience at the Stanford Hilton with our shared booth: South Street Seaport Museum and the Working Harbor Committee.

The WHC/SSSM volunteers were: Nelson Chin, Jean Preece, Wendy Range, Alec Walling,

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The OpSail tours will include close-up views (but not boarding) of tall ships as well as expert information about these magnificent vessels, including their history, type, size, and country of origin. The vessels will be available for boarding from 24 to 28 May at various locations in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Staten Island.

The "fireworks prep" tour will go to where the fireworks barges are loaded but does not include any fireworks itself (at least not intentionally...).

Note - time of departure for the Special Tour on 23 May is still unsettled and may be earlier.

Working Harbor Committee 2012 Hidden Harbor Tours® Schedule

20 MAY Newark Bay Tour	22 MAY Special Tour OpSail 2012 Anchored Vessels*	23 MAY Special Tour 10:30AM Departure OpSail 2012 Parade*
5 JUNE Brooklyn Tour	19 JUNE Newark Bay Tour	2 OR 3 JULY Special Tour** Brooklyn + July 4 th Fireworks Prep
10 JULY Brooklyn Tour	24 JULY Newark Bay Tour	7 AUGUST North River Tour
21 AUGUST Newark Bay Tour	4 SEPTEMBER Brooklyn Tour	18 SEPTEMBER Newark Bay Tour

Additional Special Tours:

- Lighthouse Tour - with the National Lighthouse Museum
- Newtown Creek Tours
- Rail-to-Marina Tour - circumnavigation of Manhattan
- Circumnavigation of Staten Island - including select Lighthouses
- Visit workingharbor.org for more information

Tours depart from Pier 16, South Street Seaport at 6:15PM (5:30PM in September). Tours are 2 hours.

- * Special OpSail 2012 tours are 3 hours.
- ** Date to be confirmed.



Profile: Capt. Maggie Flanagan

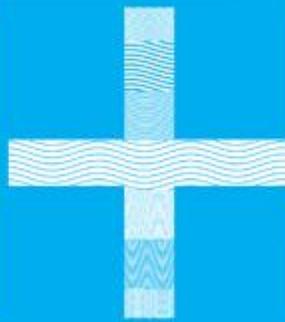


Captain Margaret (Maggie) Flanagan is a native New Yorker who believes that our waters and waterfront are public resources, deserving increased public access and transparent management. She works as a marine educator, helping students and the public to better understand and appreciate the harbor, and also as a

merchant mariner on passenger vessels including schooner *Pioneer* and yacht *Manhattan*. In addition to serving on Working Harbor Committee's Steering

Committee, Maggie enjoys volunteering for the Urban Assembly New York Harbor School, the Metropolitan Waterfront Alliance, and the NY-NJ Harbor & Estuary Program. This spring, she'll serve as Tall Ships Liaison for Op Sail 2012, and along with Op Sail Port Captain John Doswell, support 9 international sailing ships visiting New York during Fleet Week, 23-28 May. Maggie has always been an avid fan of tall ships and boats in general, and though she's sailed far and wide, considers herself lucky to go to work on New York Harbor.

South Street Seaport Museum



Check out this Gold Star Article about the South Street Seaport Museum:

[South Street](#)

[Seaport Museum: New York History Come to Life](#)

[Click here to become a member of the South Street Seaport Museum](#)

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Working Harbor Committee would like to hear feedback from you!!

What you have to say is important to us and will help us know how we can improve our programs and events.

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