

# THE ANCHOR

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## Celebrating a Year of Family Days!









Since June 2016, Family Days have been a monthly highlight at HMM. On select Saturdays, admission is free, with interactive educational programs and activities for kids ages five to twelve! During our Family Days HMM staff enjoy exploring maritime history and industry with families in our community.

In the past year, kids have learned about a variety of topics from Buffalo Bayou to whaling to the incredible journey of Joshua Slocum. Children and their families have also had the opportunity to practice the art of knot-tying, explore a haunted pirate ship, design their own life preservers, and play games like children aboard the Mayflower!

Our next Family Day will occur on July 29 during which participants will learn about the longest American winning streak in history.

Be sure to join us this summer at HMM!

## **Meet The HMM Crew**

## Matt Doyen, Outreach and Education Coordinator

I am very excited to join the crew at the Houston Maritime Museum! Exactly like founder, James Manzolillo, my path to HMM started up north in a small town called Reading, Pennsylvania. From there, I followed the Schuylkill River south to Philadelphia where I received my undergraduate degree in History from Temple University (Go Owls!) and started my museum career by interning at the Daniel Boone Homestead and the Ebenezer Maxwell Mansion. After graduation, I decided once again to head south, but this time to Waco, Texas to earn my master's degree in Museum Studies from Baylor University.



During my two years in the program, I was an educator at the Mayborn Museum Complex and an interpreter at the Waco Mammoth National Monument, as well as the coordinator of the Museum Association of Waco's Traveling Community Museum. I am looking forward to helping with HMM's expansion by building upon our educational programming and creating new partnerships within the city. Please feel free to contact me, <a href="mailto:mdo.reg">mdo.yea</a> houstonmaritime.org, with any thoughts or comments! Thank you!

## **Upcoming Events @ HMM**

#### **July Gin**

Friday, July 7, 2017 | 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Please join us for a summer party celebrating Gin! The evening will include tasty hors d'oeuvre and Gin cocktails by award-winning mixologist Kimberly Paul, accompained by conversation with guest speaker Sean Dougherty, Prestige Portfolio Manager, on the colorful history of Gin.

Must be 21 or older to attend.

\$25 per person | \$15 for HMM Members, Active Military and Veterans.



**PURCHASE TICKETS** 

Family Days @ HMM

America's Cup

July 29, 2017 | 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM



Calling all sports fans! Have you heard about an international sporting competition that began almost a half century before the modern Olympics? How about a race that features the longest winning streak in sports history?!

Both of these describe the incredible history of the America's Cup! During this exciting Family Day program, young mariners will discover the magical history of the America's Cup, create their own version of the trophy and schooner,

and try their hand at a mini-yacht race of their own!

Free admission all day!

Learn more

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