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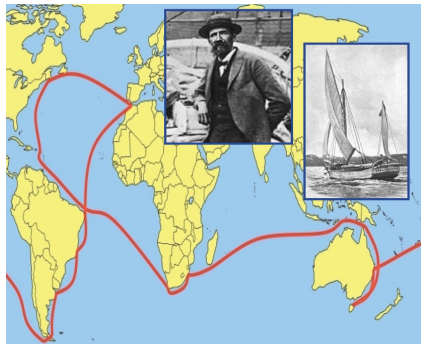
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Lecture: Captain Joshua Slocum



Captain Joshua Slocum: Around the World Alone

Thursday, October 18th at 7pm

Captain Joshua Slocum was a "celebrated sailor and adventurer" who, in 1898, became the first man to sail single-handedly around the world. His solo circumnavigation trip took him three years to complete and was carried out aboard a 36-foot craft named the Spray.

The wonder of Captain Slocum's solo circumnavigation voyage is that he attempted it all at the age of 51 without the technological advancements and training that one would expect today. To the common land lubber of 1898, it was a remarkable undertaking because they did not know what all could be involved in such a journey. To the seafaring man it was astounding because they *DID* know what was involved and some even declared Slocum a fraud because they considered a single handed voyage to be impossible.

Come hear this fascinating sea tale starting from the very beginning and what it was in his rearing that gave him the self assurance and determination to embark on a journey that would take more than 25 years for another person to complete.

Join the Houston Maritime Museum in exploring this unique piece of maritime culture. Admission is free and includes access to the museum's exhibits thanks to generous support by UTC Project, Inc!

HMM Love Boat Cruise Almost Sold Out!

LESS THAN 20 TICKETS LEFT!

HMM Love Boat Cruise

Thursday, October 25th

Tickets for the HMM Love Boat Cruise are going fast! Get your tickets while you can and join us for an unforgettable evening on the Bay aboard the M/V Observer aka HMM Love Boat!

Sip tropical cocktails and dine at the exquisite Captain's Table with Captain Stubing. Dance to island music with Julie the Cruise Director and share shiplore with Isaac the Bartender.

A special gift presentation honoring the Houston Pilots will highlight the festivities....sign up to be a sponsor or passenger today! Click on the invitation above for details.

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It's not too late to become a sponsor. Don't forget...sponsorships include tickets!

[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE YOUR SPONSOR SHIP ACCOMODATIONS!](#)

Passenger capacity limited to 100.
Book your cruise today!

USS Fort Worth Commissioning



USS Fort Worth Commissioning Ceremony

Saturday, September 22nd

The USS Fort Worth (LCS 3) was commissioned at the Port of Galveston before over 3,000 dignitaries, service men and women, and spectators. Many HMM staff members and volunteers were also in attendance.

The USS Fort Worth is the third ship to join the Navy's littoral combat fleet. These ships are known for being speedy, agile and lightweight. They also have interchangeable modules for missions such as anti-submarine, mine clearing, and surface warfare and are designed for use in shallow coastal waters.

The ship's sponsor, U.S. Rep. Kay Granger, showed her gratitude by stating:

"For a city that was founded by the military, having a ship that bears our name is a special honor. I have the pleasure of standing before you today as a member of the Fort Worth community and the privilege to stand here as the sponsor of USS Fort Worth. As we hand this powerful weapon to the U.S.

Navy, we are welcoming these Sailors into the Fort Worth family. These brave crews will guarantee the USS Fort Worth will overcome challenges, and in doing so, will guarantee our freedom we so often take for granted."

She then gave the order to the crew of the Fort Worth to "man our ship and bring her to life" and the 40 brave Sailors raced through the crowd to man their ship.

The ceremony was one that we will never forget and were honored to attend. Special thanks to the crew of the USS Fort Worth and to all of the other service men and women who have fought to keep our country safe.

[CLICK HERE](#) to watch a video of the commissioning ceremony

Ship Modelers Society Member in News



"Small Scale Drawings Bring History to Life"

The Daily News- September 23rd

The Gulf Coast Ship Modelers Society for amateur and professional ship modelers has met at HMM for years and holds a special place in our hearts. One of its valued members, Bill Wardel, was recently featured in the Galveston County Daily News in an article entitled "Small Scale Drawings Bring History to Life." The article discusses the intricacies of recreating "a ship that may have been hundreds of feet long in something that is maybe a foot or two in length without sacrificing too much detail."

[CLICK HERE](#) to read this interesting article in its entirety. Congratulations to Bill and the Society for being featured in this three-page spread!

Interested in ship modeling? Join the Gulf Coast Ship Modelers Society on the second of Saturday every odd-numbered month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Houston Maritime Museum.

Historic Vessel Builders: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
RC Control Vessel Builders: 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Their next meeting is November 10th!

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to your next visit to the museum! For more information on any of our events contact Heather Schiappa at (713) 666-1910.

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We would also like to thank Darren & Michelle Collins for their Benefactor level membership!

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