



THE ANCHOR

The monthly newsletter of the Houston Maritime Museum

DROP ANCHOR WITH US IN 2014!

Due to our increased visitor traffic, we are extending our hours to 5pm.

New hours of operation: Tuesday - Saturday, 9am - 5pm.

Gulf Coast Ship Modelers Society Book & Model Kit Sale

At the Gulf Coast Ship Modelers Society meeting this month there will be a book and model kit sale. The books are ranging in topics from historical vessels to ship modeling techniques and how-tos. Model kits, varying in difficulty, and model supplies will also be available for purchase. Books and kits range in price from \$5.00 to \$250.00, so there is something for everyone! All proceeds will go to the Houston Maritime Museum. The meeting will be held on March 8, 2014 at 10am at the Houston Maritime Museum.

For those who wish to stay for the meeting as well, a panel of distinguished Club members will discuss one of the most common topics among ship modelers - how to bend planks. Various techniques and tools will be compared. This will be an open discussion, and all the members

Grand Opening of Kids' Cove

Join us during Spring Break 2014 for our Grand Opening of HMM's Kids' Cove, where children of all ages can experience maritime wonders! There will be nautical fun, a costume corner, knot tying station, interactive information station and more. The Houston Maritime Museum is offering FREE admission for all children ages 0-18 during March 2014. Call ahead for group tours and more information at 713-666-1910.

are invited to chime in and share their expertise. If you have any special plank bending tools or jigs, bring them to the meeting to talk about them.

The Gulf Coast Ship Modelers Society meets from 10am - 1pm on the second Saturday of odd numbered months at the HMM. Membership is open to all, and dues are \$10/year. Guests are always welcome at meetings.

HMM Membership Drive

Help keep Houston's maritime heritage alive by joining the Houston Maritime Museum! Members have the opportunity for great benefits including free admissions on every ticket year-round, discount on our events, and a 10% discount on purchases in the HMM shop. Get advanced notice of exciting upcoming events, such as our Lecture Series, along with special invitations to Member-Only previews and events. The packages range from individual and family to corporate level memberships.

HMM is a member of the Council of American Maritime Museums and North American Reciprocal Museum Association, and as an added BONUS, all of our members that are at the family level and above receive reciprocal memberships to all museums that are members of CAMM and NARM, which is over 150 museums worldwide!

Memberships also make great gifts for friends and family. Your generous support helps the Museum present and maintain riveting exhibitions, sustain education and community

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Maritime Wonders

Kids' Cove!

Nautical Fun!

Costume Corner!

Knot tying station!

Interactive Information Station

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Call ahead for hours and more information.

Model of the Month

Elissa

By: Charlie Cozewith, Docent

outreach programs, build the collections, and enhance the maritime experience for all visitors.

Ready to Join?

[Join online](#), or call us at 713-666-1910 and a representative will be happy to assist you.



The Elissa was launched in 1877 from Aberdeen, Scotland when sailing ships were in decline but could still earn a profit in the right trades. As a three-masted, iron-hulled barque, she carries square sails on her fore and main masts, but only fore- and aft- sails, those parallel to the keel, on her mizzen masts. Her nineteen sails have more than a quarter acre of total surface. Displacing 620 tons, she is 205 feet in overall length, and ninety-nine feet nine inches in height from the keel to the top of her main mast. According to the descendants of Elissa's builder, Henry Fowler Watt, she was named for the Queen of Carthage. Elissa has also sailed under Swedish and Norwegian flags. In Sweden, she was known as Gustav of Gothenburg, and in Norway, her name was the Fjeld of Tønsberg. She was later sold to Finland in 1930, and converted into a schooner. In 1959, she was sold to Greece, and sailed under the names Christophoros (1967), Achaeos (1969), and Pioneer (1970).

She had a ninety year commercial history carrying a variety of cargo to ports around the world. Found in Greece during the 1960s at a salvage yard, she was later purchased by the Galveston Historical Foundation in 1974, where she was completely restored, and is now a fully functional vessel continuing to sail annually during sea trials in the Gulf of Mexico. Elissa made her first sailing voyage as a restored vessel in 1985, traveling to Corpus Christi, TX. The next year, she sailed to New York City to participate in the State of Liberty's centennial celebrations.

March Lecture Series

HMM has new nights for our Lecture Series! Please join us on the second Tuesday of every month for the History Lectures, and the third Tuesday of every month for the Career Lectures. This is subject to change for some months depending on holidays.

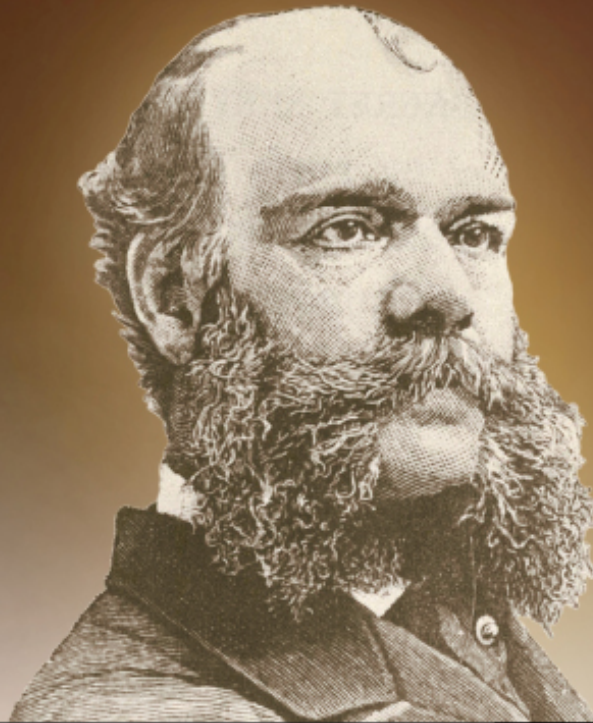
HISTORY LECTURE

The Ships of Captain Bulloch: Lecture and Book Signing
with author Stephen Kinnaman

**Tuesday
March
11th, 2014**

**7-8pm
Refreshments
Served**

Free
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The Ships of Captain Bulloch with author **Stephen Kinnaman**

James Dunwoody Bulloch's central place in history has always rested on his Civil War era achievements as a secret agent of the Confederate States Navy in Europe. He gained fame for having brought into being the Confederate States cruisers Florida, Alabama and Shenandoah. Less well known are his illustrious Georgia ancestors, who were so firmly entwined with the earliest American colonial experience, and his prominent family connections—he was the uncle of the 26th President of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt. It has even been suggested that Bulloch is the forgotten hero of the South, who died in obscurity far from his native land. Captain Bulloch presents the full story of the life and times of this most remarkable man.

Stephen Chapin Kinnaman was born in 1950 and grew up in upstate New York and New Jersey. He and his wife, Maureen, currently reside in Chappell Hill, Texas. Stephen Kinnaman is the author of an article titled, "Inside the Alabama," which appeared in the U.S. Naval Institute's Summer 1990 issue of Naval History, and which explored the unique features of this famous warship. He is also the author of *The Most Perfect Cruiser*, a book focused on James Dunwoody Bulloch's most stunning achievement, getting the commerce raider Alabama to sea.

Join the Houston Maritime Museum for this interesting presentation and book signing event as Stephen Kinnaman shares facts about the ships of Captain Bulloch! Admission is free and includes access to the museum's exhibits.



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Please join us for this exciting History Lecture and Book Signing Event!

Tuesday, March 11th

Stephen C. Kinnaman is an offshore and marine technology professional and naval history author, with other publications including *Inside the Alabama* and *The Most Perfect Cruiser*. He has followed up his first book on the drama surrounding the construction and fitting out of the Confederate raider *Alabama*, with a second volume about the man who built her, James Dunwoody Bulloch. Come hear Stephen Kinnaman speak about the ships of Captain Bulloch, the secret agent of the Confederate States Navy in Europe. In addition to this riveting presentation, Stephen Kinnaman will be signing copies of his latest book *Captain Bulloch: The Life of James Dunwoody Bulloch, Naval Agent of the Confederacy*. In case you forget yours at home, copies will be available for purchase. Don't miss this opportunity to explore the world of Captain Bulloch!

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.

Click [GCSMS at HMM](#) for more info!

Maritime Miniatures Update

New Addition to the Planned Gallery of Maritime Miniatures

As you know, HMM has big plans for the future. In order to set ourselves apart from the other maritime museums, we are in the process of collecting pieces for our upcoming Gallery of Maritime Miniatures planned to debut in our new location.

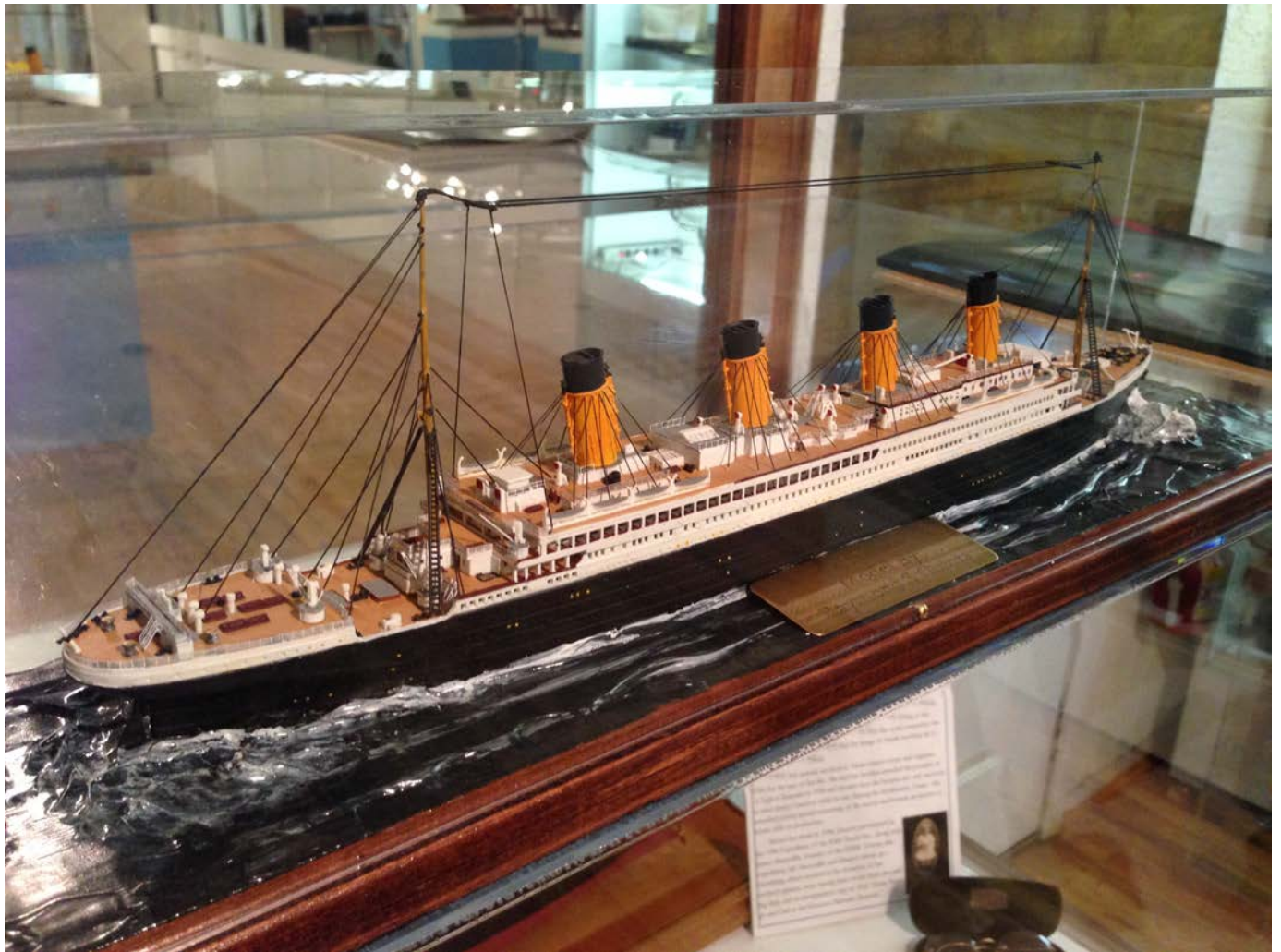
We are proud to pay tribute to the art of miniaturization, and would like to announce that we have commitments from talented artists around the world for over forty extraordinary pieces for the gallery!

The beautiful piece depicted below was created by Raymond S. Guinta from The Ship Model Society of New Jersey.



"RMS Titanic"
Donated by Raymond S. Guinta

As always, we will keep you updated as we receive new additions!



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