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**JOIN CURATOR JOEL STONE AS HE DETAILS THE RICH HISTORY OF GREAT LAKES SAILORS ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>, AT 6 P.M. AT THE DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM**

**DETROIT** – The Detroit Historical Society continues its quarterly Curator Chat series with **Joel Stone**, who will discuss the new exhibits **Life on a Long Ship: Great Lakes Sailors** and **Dossin Great Lakes Museum: Celebrating 50 Years** on **Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** The program takes place in the Aaron DeRoy Hall at the **Dossin Museum** on Belle Isle.

**Life on a Long Ship: Great Lakes Sailors** is a glimpse into the working routines and relaxing moments of men and women aboard ships of the lakes. The exhibit is designed to take visitors “aboard the big boats” using photographs and stories submitted by today’s working sailors, as well as images taken by **Roger LeLievre**, editor of “Know Your Ships.” This view of modern shipboard life – history in process – is juxtaposed with artifacts and images from the well-documented days of historic steamships.

At 50 years old, the Dossin Museum revels in its own history as Detroit’s maritime cultural center. One of the first nautical history museums in the region, and the first built specifically to tell the story of the lakes, the Dossin is so much more than just a museum. Stone will explain little-known elements of its history, including its vast collection, and interesting discoveries he made while curating this special anniversary exhibit.

Admission for the Curator Chat is free for Detroit Historical Society members and \$20 for guests. For more information or reservations, call **(313) 833-1801** or visit [www.detroithistorical.org](http://www.detroithistorical.org).

The Dossin Museum, located at 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle, is open Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free at the Museum, however, donations are welcome. During the week, the Museum is open for group tours by advance reservation. Permanent exhibits include the *Miss Pepsi* vintage 1950s championship hydroplane, a bow anchor from the *S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald*, the pilothouse from the Great Lakes freighter *S.S. William Clay Ford*, and one of the largest known collections of scale model ships in the world. For more information, call **(313) 833-5538** or visit [www.detroithistorical.org](http://www.detroithistorical.org).

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