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DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM TO OFFER EXPANDED HOURS DURING JULY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

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DETROIT — The Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle will celebrate metro Detroit's maritime heritage with several special events and expanded hours during July. Normally open only on weekends, the Museum will be open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily from Saturday, July 8th through Sunday, July 23rd.

In addition to the special hours, the Museum will host the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps Grayfox training ship on both Wednesday, July 12, and Saturday, July 15. Based out of Port Huron, the Grayfox is the largest Sea Cadet training vessel in the United States. Cadets will lead public tours of the ship.

Also on Wednesday, July 12 and Saturday, July 15, sailors from the USS Michigan nuclear ballistic submarine and USS Theodore Roosevelt super aircraft carrier will appear at the Museum to talk about their respective ships. The sailors, who all come from metro Detroit, will interact with guests and answer questions about Navy life.

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The Dossin Great Lakes Museum, located at 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle, is open for its regular hours Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Regular admission is \$4.00 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors (60+), youth ages 5-18, and college students with a valid college ID card, and free for children ages four and under. Exhibits include City on the Straits, which chronicles three centuries of change on the Detroit River, and Working the Inland Seas, which shares the often-untold stories of black sailors on the Great Lakes. Permanent attractions at the Museum also include the S.S. William Clay Ford Pilot House, the beautiful Gothic Room from the City of Detroit III, and the anchor from the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald. For more information, call (313) 833-1805 or visit www.detroithistorical.org.