UK Maritime Heritage Forum, 2022

Sea Change; challenges and opportunities for UK Maritime Heritage

Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, 19-21 October 2022

PROGRAMME

This October the Maritime Heritage Network will convene the United Kingdom Maritime Heritage Forum (UKMHF) for the first time since 2019. As organisations and individuals - throughout museums, archives, historic or working ships - we are all preserving, sharing and seeking relevance for our heritage within a changing world. The contemporary significance of the maritime sector has become more visible in recent times, and together, working across maritime heritage, we can embrace new challenges and create opportunities.

This year's UKMHF aims to embrace change head-on, to apply lessons from recent experience and to look forward. Whether you are a senior leader or consultant, a conservator, curator or archivist, a historian or researcher, a specialist in engagement or interpretation, a volunteer or operator of working craft – or a mixture of all - we want to hear your experiences and ideas on adapting to change.

The conference theme is 'Sea Change', with sessions structured to look at best practice and creative responses in different areas.

The Forum is being jointly hosted in the museums, ships and historic buildings of the Mary Rose Museum, National Museum of the Royal Navy, and Portsmouth Naval Base Property Trust.

19th October: Evening Event

Timing	Activity	Venue
18.00-20.00	Evening Drinks Reception	Mary Rose Museum
	Welcome to the Mary Rose Museum, by Dom Jones, Chief Executive of the Mary Rose Trust	

20th October: Conference: Day 1

Timing	Activity	Venue
09.00 - 09.30	Registration: tea, coffee on arrival	G. Floor and Horizon Suite, Boathouse 6
09:30 - 10:00	Welcome to UKMHF 2022	Auditorium, Boathouse 6
	Keynote Speaker: Royal Navy Speaker, TBC	
10:00 – 11:10	Session 1: Creative Change: Collections	Auditorium, Boathouse 6
	Chair, TBC	
	1. 'Resonance and relevance: building connectivity in maritime heritage', Dr Antony	
	Firth, MClfA, Head of Marine Heritage Strategy, Historic England	
	 "Shipshape and Tyneside Fashion"- using AI to discover new insights from Tyne built shop plan', Lizzy Baker, Archives Lead, Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums and Ben Mawhinney, Founder, Dronelab. 	
	3. Approaches for genuine community engagement in heritage and the case study of a	
	Maritime Heritage platform in Greece', Eleni Georgaki, PhD candidate, Department	
	of Shipping Trade and Transport, University of the Aegean	
	4. Questions to Panel	

11:10 - 11:30	Coffee Break	Horizon Suite, Boathouse
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11.30 - 13.10	Session 2: Environment and Climate Change	Auditorium, Boathouse 6
	Chair, TBC	
	 'Historic Vessels and Climate Change', Hannah Cunliffe – Director, National Historic Ships UK 	
	 'The transition from heavy sulphur fuel', Graham K Mackenzie, Conservation Manager/ Chief Engineer, SS Shieldhall 	
	3. 'How to save our oceans – learning from the past', Louise Sanger, Head of Research, Interpretation & Engagement, Heritage & Education Centre, Lloyd's Register Foundation	
	 4. 'Celtic Wave: A History of Surfing in Ireland', Clare Ablett, Curator of History, Ulster Transport Museum, National Museums Northern Ireland 5. Questions to the Panel 	

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13:10 - 14:10	Buffet lunch in Boathouse 4 restaurant with views into boatbuilding academy and over HMS	Mezzanine, Boathouse 4
	Warrior and Portsmouth Harbour	
14:10 - 14:30	Maritime Heritage Network Annual General Meeting	Mezzanine, Boathouse 4
14.30 – 17.30	Session 3: Study Visits	
	Delegates split into groups and rotate through study visits led by staff of Mary Rose Trust,	
	NMRN, PNBPT	
	Visits tbc:	
	Study Visit 1:	
	Mary Rose / Collection / Conservation.	
	Study Visit 2:	
	NMRN Collections Store: artefacts, archives, photographic.	
	Study Visit 3:	
	The Memorial Flotilla Boathouse 4, Portsmouth Historic Dockyard.	
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	HMS Victory, 'Victory Live': Conservation in Action	
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17:30 – 1845	BREAK	
18.45- 21.30	Conference Reception & Dinner.	HMS Warrior
	HMS Warrior, Main Gun Deck. (Venue to be finalised)	(Venue to be finalised)

21st October: Conference Day 2:

Timing	Activity	Venue
09.00-09.15	Coffee	Horizon Suite,
		Boathouse 6
09.15-09:45	Keynote Speaker	Auditorium, Boathouse
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	'The Ocean, distributor and connector', Paddy Rogers, Director, Royal Museums Greenwich	
09:45 -	Session 4: Creative Change	Auditorium, Boathouse
11.00		6
	Chair, TBC	
	1. 'Maritime Heritage, Culture, and Placemaking in Hull', Gillian Osgerby, Project	
	Director, Hull Maritime	
	2. 'Knitting the Herring – Connecting Through Craft', Linda Fitzpatrick, Curator, Scottish	
	Fisheries Museum	
	Nisheries museum	
	3. 'Birth, life, growth and the long-term future of a Micro Museum: the Museum of	
	Knots & Sailors Ropework as a Case Study', Des Pawson, Museum of Knots & Sailor's	
	Ropework	
	4. Questions to the Panel	
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11:00-11:20	Coffee Break
11.20 –	Session 5: Widening Participation:
13.00	Chair, TBC:
	1. 'Addressing Empire - a revised approach to the National Museum of the Royal Navy's
	Colonial Collections', Clare Hunt, Senior Curator (Hartlepool) and Hannah Bradbury-
	Crowther Curator (Devonport Collection), National Museum of the Royal Navy
	2. 'New perspectives on Migration, Heritage and Belonging', Ros Croker-Ahmed, Senior
	Manager: Partnerships and Public Engagement, Royal Museums Greenwich plus
	representatives from project partners Time and Tide Museum and Bristol Museums
	(names tbc)
	3. 'Exchange: Community-led Collections Research': 5-minute presentations by each
	MHN project member (TWAM, ss GB, Glasgow Life and NMRN) with case studies by
	selected community participants:
	a. TWAM community partners 2 x papers
	b. NMRN community partners - 'Chat Over Chai' film showing.
	4. Questions to the Panel

13.00 -	Lunch	Café, Boathouse 7
13.45		
13.45 –	Session 6: Widening Participation	Auditorium, Boathouse
15.30		6
	Chair, TBC	
	1. Updates from Delegates, 10 x 3 minutes [Separate Call for Proposals to be issued	
	nearer the time]	
	2. 'Creating access for all: Guidance for historic vessels', Victoria Wallworth – Policy,	
	Projects & Course Manager, National Historic Ships UK	
	3. '"Now I will believe/ that there are unicorns": Participation and Partnerships at HMS	
	Unicorn, Matthew Bellhouse Moran, Museum Manager at HMS Unicorn and Faye	
	Hammill, Professor of English Literature at the University of Glasgow	
	4. 'Heritage Harbours', Emily Simms, Mirza Begg, Heritage Inclusion Placement Interns,	
	Historic England and National Historic Ships UK intern tbc	
	5. Questions to the Panel	

15.30 -	Session 7: Wrap-up formal conference proceedings	Auditorium, Boathouse
15:45	Self-Guided Visits to:	6
	Opportunity to look at maritime heritage outside the Dockyard	
	Ideas include:	
	HMS Alliance and the Royal Navy Submarine Museum	
	D-Day Story and Landing Craft Tank LCT 4074	
	Portsmouth Harbour Tour	
	'Night Hunters; the Royal Navy's Coastal Forces at War' exhibition within project to regenerate the Royal Naval Armaments Depot	