

Award Winning photographer to kick off 24th Annual Sailors' Series



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The New Bedford Whaling Museum's 24th annual Sailors' Series will kick-off on Thursday, February 27 at 7 p.m. with award winning photographer, Daniel Forster.

Forster will present "36 Years of 12 America's Cups, 1977-2013." He has covered twelve America's Cup races and ten Olympic Games during his 40 year career. His photographs have appeared in every major nautical magazine in America, Europe, New Zealand, and Australia, as well as on the cover of Time Magazine. He will discuss his extraordinary career and the inside stories behind his iconic images of the modern America's Cup competition.

Forster's lecture is the first in the four part illustrated lecture series spotlighting the America's Cup, one of the most challenging and prestigious sailing races in the world. All Sailors' Series lectures occur at the New Bedford Whaling Museum on Thursday evenings 7:00 p.m. with a pre-lecture reception at 6:00 p.m. in the Jacobs Family Gallery. Tweet the Sailors' Series with hashtag #SailorsSeries24.

The following is a glance at the full 2014 Sailors' Series schedule:

February 27: Award winning photographer Daniel Forster will present "36 Years of 12 America's Cups, 1977-2013."

March 27: ORACLE TEAM USA's Dirk Kramers and Scott Ferguson will present "Innovations in 21st Century America's Cup Design."

April 24: Natasha Khandekar, Director and Curator of the William I. Koch Collection, will present a comprehensive overview of the unparalleled collection of maritime paintings of American businessman and 1992 America's Cup Winner William I. Koch.

May 8: Jerry and Rome Kirby present "A Shared Passion: Father and Son America's Cup Winners."

Admission for individual lectures: Members: \$15 / Non-Members: \$20. For the four-lecture series: Members: \$60 / Non-Members \$80. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (508) 997-0046 ext. 100 or visit whalingmuseum.org/programs/sailors-series. The Sailors' Series is sponsored in part by C.E. Beckman and Luso Auto Center.

About the New Bedford Whaling Museum

The New Bedford Whaling Museum is the world's most comprehensive museum devoted to the global story of whales, whaling and the cultural history of the region. The cornerstone of New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, the Museum is located at 18 Johnny Cake Hill in the heart of the city's historic downtown. Winter hours through March: Tuesday to Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; open 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. holiday Mondays. For more information, visit www.whalingmuseum.org.

