

# The Schooner “Adventure” will be the focus of October Film Night



*Question and answer session to follow*

The Dock-U-Mentaries Film Series continues on Friday, October 16th at 7:00 PM with Gloucester's Adventure: An American Story. Dock-U-Mentaries is a co-production of New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, the New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, and the Working Waterfront Festival. Films about the working waterfront are screened on the third Friday of each month beginning at 7:00 PM in the theater of the Corson Maritime Learning Center, located at 33 William Street in downtown New Bedford. All programs are open to the public and presented free of charge.

This sixty minute film tells the story of Gloucester, Massachusetts, once one of the world's busiest fishing ports,

and the sailing schooner Adventure which was built there in 1926 and soon became one of the most successful fishing schooners of her time. As time went on and with the advancement of power technologies, many schooners were left to die in a backwater sea cemetery, and Adventure was no exception. Eventually she was rescued, renovated and put to work as a windjammer in the great bays of Maine under Captain Sharp. Adventure, eventually returned to her homeport of Gloucester as a gracious gift from her captain, now serves as an educational tool for the seafaring town. Schooner Adventure was a dockside attraction at this year's Working Waterfront Festival. Her captain, Stefan Edick, and film maker, Gordon Massingham, will answer questions following the screening.

The New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and presenting the history and culture of New Bedford's fishing industry through exhibits and programs.

The Working Waterfront Festival is a project of the Community Economic Development Center of Southeastern MA, a non-profit organization. The free festival, a family friendly, educational celebration of New England's commercial fishing industry, features live maritime and ethnic music, fishermen's contests, fresh seafood, vessel tours, author readings, cooking demonstrations, kids' activities and more. It all takes place on working piers and waterfront parks in New Bedford, MA, America's #1 fishing port, on the last full weekend in September.

[www.workingwaterfrontfestival.org](http://www.workingwaterfrontfestival.org).

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