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CBMM hosts Maritime Maryland book signing on October 10

On Sunday, October 10, 2010 from 2–4 pm, the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum (CBMM) welcomes author William S. Dudley for a reception and book signing of his latest work, *Maritime Maryland*. The reception includes dessert, coffee, and tea. The cost is \$8 for CBMM members and \$10 for non-members. The event and reception is hosted by CBMM and John Hopkins University Press.

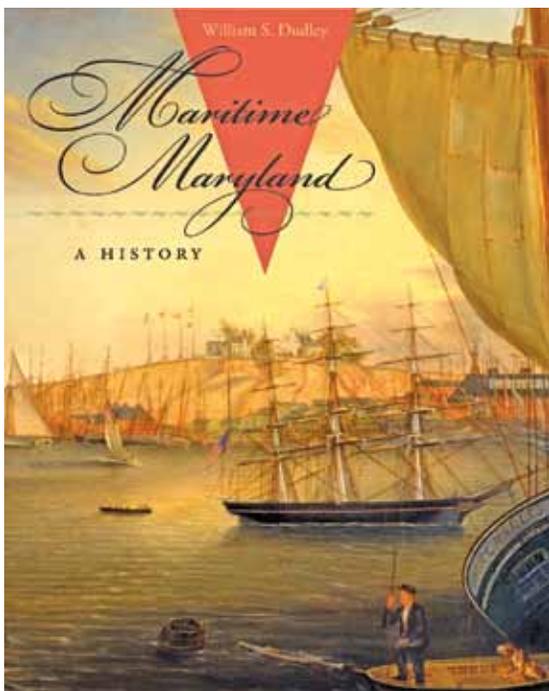
Dudley paints a vivid picture of Maryland's maritime past in its broadest scope, exploring the complex and nuanced interactions of humans, land, and water through descriptions of shipbuilding, steam technology, agricultural pollution, commercial and passenger transportation, naval campaigns, watermen, crabbing, and oystering. Dudley also discusses the evolution of recreational boating—yachting, cruising, and racing—and the role of underwater archaeology in uncovering the bay's shipwrecks. These interactions become chapters in the larger story of Maryland's waterways, a story that Dudley tells through insightful prose and stunning illustrations.

Pre-registration is needed by October 4. For more information, contact Helen Van Fleet, CBMM's reservation specialist at hvanfleet@cbmm.org or at 410-745-4941.

About the Author:

William S. Dudley has long been associated with the naval and maritime history of Maryland and currently serves in positions with the Maryland Historical Society, the Naval Historical Foundation, and *Sea History* magazine. He is the historian general of the Naval Order of the United States and is author and editor of numerous works, including *Naval War of 1812: A Documentary History*, *James Fenimore Cooper's Ned Myers*, or *A Life before the Mast*, and *The Early Republic and the Sea: Essays on the Naval and Maritime History of the Early United States*. Dr. Dudley was director of the Naval Historical Center in Washington, D.C., from 1995 to 2004.

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An author presentation and book signing of *Maritime Maryland* by William S. Dudley will take place at CBMM on October 10 with a reception from 2 to 4pm. Pre-registration is needed by October 4. Call 410-745-2916 for reservations or more information.