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### CBMM announces free, fall educational workshops



The Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum (CBMM) in St. Michaels, MD has recently announced four upcoming, educational workshops that are offered free of charge to the general public, with advanced registration required.

On Tuesday, September 20 from 10am to 12noon, CBMM's Chief Curator Pete Leshner will be at the museum's Small Boat Shed to talk about the history and significance of the museum's skipjack, *Rosie Parks*. Part of the presentation will take place in the museum's boat shop, with Leshner and *Rosie Parks* Project Manager Marc Barto discussing the restoration process and the plans for the future of *Rosie Parks* at CBMM.

From 10am to 12noon on Tuesday, October 11, CBMM's Director of Education Kate Livie will be at the museum's Small Boat Shed to discuss the museum's new loaned vessel, the John Smith shallop. Livie will explore the history of John Smith's 1608

Chesapeake adventures, the development of the John Smith 400 Project, and the building of the recreated shallop, as well as the stories of the brave reenactment crew that sailed and rowed the shallop throughout the Chesapeake in the summer of 2008.

On Thursday, October 20 from 1 to 3pm, Echo Hill Outdoor School Director Andrew McCown will be at the museum's Van Lennep Auditorium to discuss his career as a Chesapeake educational innovator and his experiences teaching, working, and inspiring stewardship on the bay. McCown will demonstrate his teaching strategy through hands-on activities and animal observation, and discuss tips and tricks for Chesapeake educators of all ages to use in the classroom or out in the field.

From 10am to 12noon on Tuesday, November 1 and Tuesday, November 22 at the museum's Small Boat Shed, Horn Point Laboratory will offer a two-part workshop series based on their popular "Bay 101" classes. In these introductory sessions, participants will learn "Chesapeake science for non-scientists," which includes studying the bay's unique ecology—from water quality and conditions to flora and fauna. These sessions will be a great way to build up a general Chesapeake environmental 'toolkit.' The workshops will be moved to the Bay History building if weather prohibits use of the Small Boat Shed.

To register or for more information, email Helen Van Fleet at [hvanfleet@cbmm.org](mailto:hvanfleet@cbmm.org) or call at 410-745-4941. For more information about the museum, visit the waterfront campus in St. Michaels or online at [www.cbmm.org](http://www.cbmm.org).

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CBMM Chief Curator Pete Leshner, right, talks with museum visitor Joe Sanborn from Hockessin, DE, left, about the restoration of the skipjack *Rosie Parks*, seen in the background. Launching a series of free educational workshops offered through the museum this fall, Leshner will give a talk about the history and significance of the skipjack *Rosie Parks* and its restoration from 10am to 12noon on Tuesday, September 20 beginning in the museum’s Small Boat Shed. Advanced registration is needed for all workshops and can be made by emailing [hvanfleet@cbmm.org](mailto:hvanfleet@cbmm.org) or calling 410-745-4941.