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New tug exhibit opens April 21 at CBMM – “Push and Pull: Life on Chesapeake Tugboats”

A new major exhibit entitled “Push and Pull: Life on Chesapeake Tugboats,” opens April 21 at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum (CBMM) in St. Michaels, MD. The exhibit explores the world of Chesapeake tugboats and the men and women who work on them. Food, fuel, and all the stuff of modern life—almost nothing moves on the Chesapeake Bay without tugboats.



The men and women who work on tugs docking ships and moving barges do difficult, sometimes dangerous work—with unique rules and rhythms. Explore their world through stories, images, and objects of the Bay’s tugboats, along with the words of the people whose lives are shaped around them.

The exhibit runs through 2014 and is open during regular museum hours. This special exhibit is free for CBMM members or with museum admission. For more information, call 410-745-2916 or visit www.cbmm.org.

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Tugs perform essential work along our waterways from towing barges with fuel or other vital materials and salvage work to assisting larger ships in docking. Here, a pair of tugs maneuvers the passenger liner *United States* into a slip at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock

Company piers for a refit in the spring of 1954. Photograph by A. Aubrey Bodine. Copyright © Jennifer B. Bodine.