The 10th National Maritime Awards Dinner

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The US Merchant Marine
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NATIONAL MARITIME HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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NAVAL HISTORICAL FOUNDATION
The 10th National Maritime Awards Dinner

The year 2020 marks the 10th anniversary of the National Maritime Awards Dinner in Washington, the annual gathering in the nation’s capital of the American maritime community to celebrate our nation’s maritime heritage. Appropriately, we will be honoring those who serve the sea—the US Naval Academy, the US Merchant Marine, and the Coast Guard Aviation Association—for the important roles they have played in the maritime history of our country.

We invite your participation as a Sponsor on this very special occasion.

The Event

The National Maritime Historical Society, in association with the National Coast Guard Museum Association, and with the Naval Historical Foundation, will honor three distinguished institutional awardees at its National Maritime Awards Dinner on Thursday evening, 23 April 2020 at the historic National Press Club, Pennsylvania Avenue and 14th Street in Washington, DC.

This illustrious event brings together in one place those who love and serve the sea—leaders of the military sea services, merchant marine, defense and maritime industry; maritime authors and artists; environmentalists and conservationists; sea explorers and scientists; competitive yacht sailors; philanthropists and government officials who have supported America’s maritime heritage; commercial and pleasure boat designers and builders; cruise line operators; aquaculturalists; maritime educators; and maritime educational institutions and museums.

The Sponsorship Opportunity

Dinner co-chairs Denise Krepp and VADM Al Konetzni, USN (Ret.), and founding chairman Philip J. Webster, seek sponsors that wish to honor the 2020 award recipients while contributing to the educational programming of the National Maritime Historical Society and the National Coast Guard Museum Association.

The Honorees

Founded on 10 October 1845, the United States Naval Academy will be celebrating its 175th anniversary educating tens of thousands of Navy and Marine Corps officers, whose leadership has helped defend the nation and the world for generations. The National Maritime Historical Society’s Distinguished Service Award will be accepted by both VADM Sean Buck, USN, Superintendent of the Academy, and the Commander of the Brigade of Midshipmen.

The US Merchant Marine will be honored on the 245th anniversary of its founding. The Merchant Marine, and all those individuals and institutions who are part of it—merchant mariners, shipping and passenger lines, ship builders, veterans’ organizations, the port communities, suppliers from tugboats to shipyards, the national and state merchant marine academies, labor unions, members of Congress and the United States Maritime Administration—will be collectively honored with the National Maritime Historical Society’s Distinguished Service Award, which will be received by Dave Yoho, who served in the merchant marine in the Pacific in World War II. Gary Jobson will present the award with remarks by Rear Admiral Mark H. Buzby, USN (Ret.), Maritime Administrator.
The Ancient Order of The Pterodactyl, known formally as the Coast Guard Aviation Association, will receive the National Coast Guard Museum Association’s Alexander Hamilton Award on the 100th anniversary of the opening of the first Coast Guard Air Station at Morehead City, NC. The Coast Guard Aviation Association focuses on the recognition of individuals and aircrews who distinguish themselves in the performance of operational missions and critical support. The organization is committed to the preservation of Coast Guard Aviation history from its earliest period to present day. In times of urgent need, the Coast Guard Aviation Association supports families affected by losses on flight operations. Captain Michael D. Emerson, President of the Coast Guard Aviation Association will accept the award. Admiral James M. Loy, USCG (Ret.), 21st Commandant of the US Coast Guard and 1999 recipient of the National Maritime Historical Society’s Distinguished Service Award, will present the award.

Gary Jobson, America’s Cup winner and “America’s Ambassador of Sailing” will be the Master of Ceremonies. Video introductions will be produced by NMHS Vice Chairman Ricardo R. Lopes and Voyage Digital Media. Entertainment will be provided by The Riveters from the US Naval Academy. The Combined Sea Services Color Guard will present the colors.

Past Award Recipients


Recipients also include David Rockefeller Jr. and Sailors for the Sea; environmentalists National Geographic Society and Conservation International; maritime artists Patrick O’Brien, William G. Muller, John Barber, John Mcracy and John Stobart; authors Nathaniel Philbrick and Clive Cussler; yacht designers Olin J. Stephens II, Halsey Herreshoff and Bruce Farr; Vietnam POW Commander Everett Alvarez Jr.; boatbuilders Charles A. Robertson, Brian D’Isernia and Donald T. “Boysie” Bollinger; and philanthropist J.D. Power III.

We invite your participation in this gala event; for more information on event sponsorship, please contact:

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