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**Please join the National Maritime Historical Society for the
2024 National Maritime Awards Dinner**

**National Press Club · Washington, DC
Thursday, 18 April 2024 · Reception 6 PM - Dinner 7 PM**

**Dinner Chairs Samuel F. Byers and Kristen L. Greenaway
Along with NMHS Chair CAPT James A. Noone, USN (Ret.)**

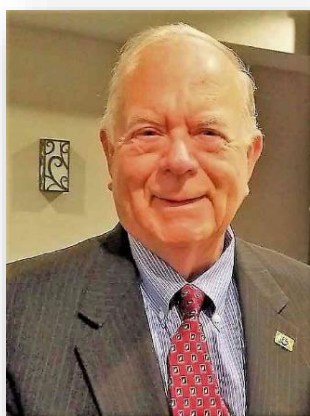
**Invite you to join us as we honor:
Major General Charles F. Bolden Jr., USMC (Ret.)
Dr. William S. Dudley
Dawn Riley**

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The 2024 National Maritime Awards Honorees



Major General Charles F. Bolden Jr., USMC (Ret.) will be presented with the 2024 NMHS Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his remarkable career as a US Marine aviator, astronaut, and NASA Administrator. As an astronaut, Bolden logged 680 hours on four Space Shuttle missions. We salute his leadership roles as the Deputy Commandant of Midshipmen at the U.S. Naval Academy and as the Commanding General of Operation Desert Thunder in Kuwait. Bolden's tenure at NASA heightened the agency's focus on Mars and deep space exploration, leaving an enduring legacy in the field of space exploration and scientific advancement. His election to the National Academy of Engineering in 2020 further demonstrates the impact of his work on human spaceflight and space operations programs, as well as his contributions to revitalizing fundamental aeronautics research.



Dr. William S. Dudley will be presented with the 2024 NMHS David A. O'Neil Sheet Anchor Award for his twelve years of service as an NMHS Trustee and Trustee Liaison on the Editorial Advisory Committee for *Sea History* magazine. Dudley served in the Navy, earned his doctorate at Columbia, and was director of the Naval Historical Center in Washington, DC, from 1995 to 2004, now the Naval History and Heritage Command. He is a former historian general of the Naval Order of the United States. Dudley is a pre-eminent War of 1812 scholar, author, and lead editor of several books. Dudley has served as president of the American Revolution Roundtable, president of the Society for History in the Federal Government, and president of the North American Society for Oceanic History.



Dawn Riley will be presented with the 2024 NMHS Distinguished Service Award in recognition of her remarkable sailing career, particularly her role as mentor and educator, training premier-level American sailors for future Olympic, America's Cup, and world-class sailing competitions. Dawn Riley is an expert big-boat and match-racing sailor. She was the first woman to manage an entire America's Cup syndicate, the first American — man or woman — to sail in four America's Cups and two Whitbread Round the World races. As the Executive Director of Oakcliff Sailing, Riley is leading the movement to reinvigorate the sport of sailing. Riley's notoriety, excellence as a sailor, and dual induction into the National Sailing Hall of Fame and the America's Cup Hall of Fame as the youngest and sole female "dual-famer" is an inspiration to many.

2024 National Maritime Awards Dinner Sponsorship Menu

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The National Maritime Historical Society seeks your support for the 2024 National Maritime Awards Dinner as we honor three most esteemed award recipients. Please join us in celebrating **Major General Charles F. Bolden Jr., USMC (Ret.), Dr. William Dudley and Dawn Riley.**

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The National Maritime Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1963 whose mission is to preserve maritime history, promote the maritime heritage community, and invite all to share in the adventures of seafaring—educating all Americans, particularly the youngest generations, about the critical role the sea plays in our nation's past, present and future.

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National Maritime Historical Society Awards

The 2024 National Maritime Awards Dinner Awardees will join our most esteemed previous recipients, some of whom are listed here:

America's Cup winners: Ted Turner, Gary Jobson, Thomas Whidden

Former US Senator Barbara Mikulski

Boatbuilders: Charles A. Robertson, Brian D'Isernia, Donald T. "Boysie" Bollinger

Former Chiefs of Naval Operations: Admirals Thad Allen, Jay Johnson, Jonathan Greenert, Gary Roughead

Former US Coast Guard Commandants: Admirals James M. Loy, Robert J. Papp Jr.

Former Secretaries of the Navy: John Dalton, Dr. John Lehman, Senator John Warner

Conservationists: Conservation International, National Geographic Society, Oyster Recovery Partnership



Ocean explorer Dr. Robert Ballard

Thomas J. Ridge, former Secretary of Homeland Security and Governor of Pennsylvania

HRH Princess Anne

Broadcaster Walter Cronkite

David Rockefeller Jr. and Sailors for the Sea

Vietnam POW Commander Everett Alvarez Jr.

USCG Eagle

Philanthropist Gerry Lenfest

Maritime museum leaders: Kristen L. Greenaway, Capt. Walter Rybka

Capt. Arthur M. and Gloria Kimberly & *Romance*

Woodson K. Woods & Lynx Education Foundation

Admiral Sir Jonathon Band and Sir Robin Knox-Johnston of the United Kingdom

Yacht designers: Olin J. Stephens II, Halsey Herreshoff, Bruce Farr

Authors: Nathaniel Philbrick, Clive Cussler

Historians: William H. White, Dr. David F. Winkler

Maritime artists: Patrick O'Brien, William G. Muller, John Barber, John Mecray, John Stobart

