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***America* — Historic Replica of the Ship That Launched The America's Cup Tradition Will Sail Into New Bedford Next Week**



New Bedford, Massachusetts—The 139-foot yacht *America*, a historic replica of the original *America* which started the America's Cup tradition in 1851, will visit the Port of New Bedford next week. The original *America* stunned the world by winning the legendary sailing race around the Isle of Wight and won the trophy that now bears her name, the America's Cup.

The schooner will arrive in New Bedford Harbor and will dock at State Pier on **Wednesday, June 1, 2016**. The visit to the Port of New Bedford is part of her 2016 East Coast Tour which began in the Gulf of Mexico and is headed up the Eastern Seaboard into Maine, before tacking south through the Caribbean and on to Bermuda in 2017.

On Wednesday, June 1, 2016, the *America* will be open to the public for dockside walk aboard Tours (12:00PM to 3:00PM). An **America's Cup Multimedia Presentation** is planned for 2:00PM.

The presentation will be made by Captain Troy Sears, owner of the *America*. The presentation will include an overview of the Cup's storied history, a chance to relive the dramatic comeback of AC34, and an inside look at what to expect for AC35 in Bermuda.

Capt. Troy's presentation will be followed by a **Junior Sailors Talk** for kids at 3:00PM.

The dockside tours, multimedia presentation and Junior Sailors Talk are all free and open to the public.

Finally, a **Sunset Sail Aboard "America"** will take place from 5:00PM to 7:30PM. Tickets for the Sunset Sail are available for purchase online: <http://tinyurl.com/NBAmericaCup>. The cost to attend the sail is \$89 for adults, and \$42.50 for children 17 and under and military.

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