

PLACES

GIG HARBOR • OCTOBER 8-10, 2025

MARITIME, ALL THE TIME ALEX'S ITINERARY



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As Maritime Washington Program Director, I'm focused on how we can preserve and share our state's maritime heritage.

For this conference, I can't wait to explore innovative ways to connect audiences with place, highlight important stories, and sustain what makes Washington maritime—from historic vessels to salmon fisheries to traditional trades.

Itineraries are focused on classroom sessions and mobile tours. You'll also be able to catch itinerary writers at conference-wide events and special events throughout the week!

Please note: Mobile tours (denoted with 🚌) are separately ticketed—be sure to purchase tickets at registration if you'd like to join!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

1:30-2:30 PM | TRANSLATING PASSION INTO BETTER STORIES: HOW TO MAKE THE AUDIENCES CARE ABOUT THE PLACES WE STEWARD
Gig Harbor BoatShop at the Historic Eddon Boatyard

3:00-4:00 PM | NEW PERSPECTIVES, SHARED STORIES: HARNESSING THE POTENTIAL OF TRAVELING EXHIBITS
The Club @ the Boatyard (Gig Harbor Marina & Boatyard)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00-10:00 AM | OCEANS HAVE NO BORDERS + THE BLUE SCHOOLS INITIATIVE
Gig Harbor BoatShop at the Historic Eddon Boatyard

10:30-11:30 AM | PLACE-BASED KNOWLEDGE AND TRIBAL LEADERSHIP IN FISHERIES MANAGEMENT
Gig Harbor BoatShop at the Historic Eddon Boatyard

1:30-2:30 PM | COASTAL PRESERVATION & ADAPTATION: ADDRESSING FLOODING AT HISTORIC PROPERTIES
The Club @ the Boatyard (Gig Harbor Marina & Boatyard)

3:30-4:30 PM | NAVIGATING COMPLICATED PUBLIC HISTORIES: CELEBRATION AND REFLECTION FOR AMERICA250 AND BEYOND
The Club @ the Boatyard (Gig Harbor Marina & Boatyard)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

OPTION 1

9:00 AM-12:00 PM |
GIG HARBOR'S
MARITIME HISTORIES
AND MYSTERIES 📖
Meet at Hop Pharm

OPTION 2

9:00-10:00 AM | KEEPING HISTORY
AFLOAT: PRESERVATION OF
HISTORIC VESSELS
*Gig Harbor BoatShop at the Historic Eddon
Boatyard*

10:30-11:30 AM | HOW TO BUILD
A BOATBUILDER: DIFFERENT
APPROACHES TO TEACHING
TRADITIONAL TRADES
*Gig Harbor BoatShop at the Historic Eddon
Boatyard*

1:30-2:30 PM | THE POWER OF ORAL HISTORIES: ACTIVATING
ARCHIVES THROUGH COMMUNITY-BASED STORYTELLING
Gig Harbor BoatShop at the Historic Eddon Boatyard