

## **Santa Barbara Maritime Museum Seeks Docents! Classes Begin January 8, 2022**

**Santa Barbara, CA. December 27, 2021** - Do you enjoy meeting and talking with people from California, across the US, and around the world? Do you want to share your love and knowledge of our beautiful harbor with visitors? Do you have at least three hours a week to volunteer? If so, the Santa Barbara Maritime Museum (SBMM) is looking for you to join its next 10-week docent training program, **beginning Saturday, January 8 and running through March 12, 2022!**



Study and learn about the native Chumash people, commercial diving and fishing milestones, the Channel's military history, and Santa Barbara as the birthplace of the environmental movement. Be part of a great volunteer team that supports SBMM's mission to create quality exhibits and educational experiences that celebrate the Santa Barbara Channel and illuminate our rich connections with the sea. Help us cultivate insightful discussions about the past and future of our coastal community. Make connections between the Museum and visitors from around the world, maintain and explain exhibits, and assist with special events, exhibit openings, art receptions, and community festivals. According to Volunteer Coordinator Jesse Baker-Lorelli, "docents also enjoy the social environment of the Museum, make new friends, and gain a feeling of fulfillment."

For more information about how to volunteer and become a docent, contact Jesse Baker-Lorelli, Volunteer Coordinator, [jbaker@sbmm.org](mailto:jbaker@sbmm.org) or 805 456-8748. To apply, complete a volunteer application at [www.sbmm.org/volunteer-application](http://www.sbmm.org/volunteer-application).

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## **About SBMM**

Since 2000, the [Santa Barbara Maritime Museum](#) has featured many artifacts and stories to share the history of the Santa Barbara Channel with more than 40,000 visitors annually, and it provides year-round experiential maritime history and marine science education for local youth. Featuring the impressive *First-Order Fresnel Lighthouse Lens* from Point Conception, SBMM's current exhibits explore *the History of Oil in Santa Barbara Channel & Chumash Use of Asphaltum*, Surfing, Mermaids, the *Honda Disaster*, and *Wives and Daughters: Keepers of the Light*.

SBMM is located at the historic Santa Barbara Harbor at 113 Harbor Way, Suite 190, Santa Barbara, CA 93109. Visit [sbmm.org](#) or call (805) 962-8404 for details.

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