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### LANDFALL TO SPONSOR 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL SOUND BOATING SYMPOSIUM US Sailing and US Powerboating Certification Offered at One Day Seminar

*November 16, 2015 - Stamford, CT* – For the third consecutive year Landfall, America's safest marine outfitter, continues their industry leadership by developing *The Sound Boating Symposium*, a redesigned, "propulsion agnostic" boating forum. This Symposium focuses on the skills and tactics relevant to recreational power-boaters or sailors who enjoy the coastal waters from Long Island Sound to Cape Cod and the Gulf of Maine. Mystic Seaport will once again partner with Landfall as hosts of the event on February 6th 2016 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

#### **Topics this year will include:**

- Marine Communications
- Coastal Marine Weather
- Marine Medical
- Diesel Engine Repair & Maintenance
- Emergency Preparedness
- Accident Prevention

Captain Henry Marx, owner and President of Landfall, brings his 5-plus decades of international sailing & boating experience to the symposium, returning for the third consecutive year as the moderator. For 2016 Capt. Marx has organized a world class collection of marine industry legends such as:

- Ralph Naranjo – *Former Chair, US Naval Academy Sailing and well-known marine journalist*
- Steve McGovern – *Chariman, Mack Boring & Parts Company, a major distributor of marine engines, service and training programs*
- Will Keane, *President, Edson Marine and former Board member for the National Sailing Industry Association*
- Dr. Michael Jacobs –*Martha's Vineyard's own " Sailing Doctor"*
- Gary Conte – *National Weather Service Meteorologist*
- Eleanor Mariani – *Director, Boating Division, Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection*
- Capt. Mark Bolonga –*Landfall's Safety Equipment Manager,*

“We felt it was important to reach a broader scope of the recreational marine market with this symposium.” stated Capt. Marx, who continued “So, we designed it to provide valuable information that is equally applicable to both power-boaters and sailors alike. We also updated the curriculum to focus on preparedness and the fundamentals of sound boating. As with past seminars, all attendees will earn an Official Near Coastal Safety at Sea Certification upon completion.”

*The Sound Boating Symposium* is being held Saturday, February 6th from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. 2016 at The River Room within the Latitude 41° Restaurant at the Mystic Seaport. For more information on the event visit: <http://www.landfallnavigation.com/sasmystic.html>. To register, visit: <http://www.mysticseaport.org/event/safety-at-sea-seminar/>

## **About Landfall**

Offering unparalleled experience and product knowledge, Landfall, formerly Landfall Navigation and The Dinghy Locker @ Landfall has been the leader in marine safety since 1982. As the nation’s leading specialist for offshore, inshore and sport-boat outfitting, navigation and marine safety. The company’s retail store, website and catalog offer a broad selection of gear from leading marine suppliers. Through the Marine Training Center ([www.marinetrainingcenter.com](http://www.marinetrainingcenter.com)), Landfall offers a comprehensive curriculum of classroom courses for recreational and professional mariners on topics of boating and seamanship. For more information, visit [Landfallnav.com](http://Landfallnav.com), or call 1-800- 941-2219.

## **About Mystic Seaport**

Mystic Seaport is the nation’s leading maritime museum. Founded in 1929, the Museum is home to four National Historic Landmark vessels, including the Charles W. Morgan, America’s oldest commercial ship and the last wooden whaleship in the world. The museum is located one mile south of Exit 90 off I-95 in Mystic, CT. Admission is \$24 for adults and \$15 for children ages 6-17. Museum members and children 5 and under are admitted free. For more information, please visit <http://www.mysticseaport.org>

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