

Tall Ship MJ

"WHERE DREAMS SAIL."

We would like to operate our sailing vessel, *MJ*, in St. Joseph.

As a lively tourist attraction, we bring a new destination activity to the area.



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We Are MAST



MAST - Maritime Academy & Sail Training is a female owned, LLC operated by a husband and wife team.



We formed in 2019, but have over 20 years experience in the maritime industry. Owner, Megan, has held a U.S.C.G 100ton Captain License since 2011.



As a company, we exist to bring the life changing influence of the world's waterways, it's exploration, culture, and skills to all who seek it.



We offer community classes, personal boat coaching, and team building programs. 2022 sees us operating our own ship where we can offer public sailing excursions and special water-based programs.





What have we been up to since 2019?

There has been a lot happening since we started just two years ago:







Coaching

In 2019, we were approached by Sailing Saugatuck to help them navigate operations and compliance for their new 26ton schooner. Megan stepped in as Head Captain and Coach for three summers. You may know them as Schooner Serenity.

Community Classes

Summer 2021 saw us teaching our first season of community classes at Lake Michigan College. We taught Sailing 101, So You Bought a Boat, and Hammock Making. We also acquired our primary classroom vessel, Eddy.

100ton Curriculum

Since our inception, we have been working on a curriculum to prepare qualified mariners for the U.S. Coast Gaurd's exam for a Captain of a 100ton Great Lakes License. We expect to see our first class in 2022!

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With this year's purchase of the sailing vessel MJ, we are full steam ahead preparing her to be a U.S. Coast Guard Inspected Passenger Vessel. She will operate with industry standards of safety, and family focused fun.

Who's at the Helm



Captain Megan Cairns

OWNER, CAPTAIN & OPERATOR OF MAST AND TALL SHIP MJ

- 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE SAILING AND IN THE OPERATION OF SHIPS
- HOLDS USCG 100TON CAPTAIN LICENSE
- PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED AS DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL RUNNING A TEAM OF OVER 300 VOLUNTEERS



Jeffrey Cairns

CO-OPERATOR, SHIP ENGINEER AND TECHNOLOGIST

- 10 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN OCEAN AND CONTROLS ENGINEERING
- MECHATRONICS ENGINEER
- CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AT GAISHIN MANUFACTURING AS I.T. AND AUTOMATION MANAGER



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CHARMING WOODEN SHIP THAT IS A BUCKET LIST EXPERIENCE

- COAST GUARD COMPLIANT AND INSPECTED PASSENGER VESSEL (WILL BE AT TIME OF OPERATION)
- WELL MAINTAINED, BEAUTIFUL, HISTORIC, SAILING VESSEL
- BRINGING A 'LARGER THAN LIFE' EXPERIENCE TO THE HARBOR

The Ship

Tall ship MJ is a 62' wooden schooner with two wooden mast, over 3 sails and a beautifully finished below decks space.

She was custom built in 1975. She's modeled after a sailing work boat from Nova Scotia popular over 100 years ago - called the Tancook Whaler.



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St. Joseph's Development Plan

We know that sailing on MJ will be a magical experience for guest and onlookers. She is an adventure that brings authentic character, captures imagination, and makes memories that guest want to re-live again and again.

MJ's old-fashioned, nautical charm will fit the city's nostalgic feel. She will be an excellent complement to the current Lake Michigan and downtown attractions by adding a ship to the backdrop.



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ABOUT THE SHIP

sails and unique themes.

Public Sails - Daily Trips

MJ will have many on the water trips to offer. She sails Thursday - Sunday at 10:30, 1:00, 3:30, and Sunset.*

*Times listed are for check in. Sails are 1 & 1/2 hour trip after departure. Plan for just over 2 hours from arrival to goodbyes. Sunset times vary greatly throughout summer, we do our best to catch it all!



Welcome

Themed Sails

MJ is excited to offer several themed cruises throughout the summer:

Dress like a Pirate (for adults and kids)

Kid's Neverland Sail (best for 4 - 12)

Happy Hour (Adults only - a shortened boat ride to start the party. Sails stay down to minimize spills).



Schedule

We will be taking aprox. 18 passengers out 3-5 times a day, Thursday through Sunday. (In case, you want to know the numbers - we charge \$45 dollars a ticket).

Wednesday we book additional private charters for families, companies, schools or NGOs.

It's important to us to give great prices to the community and NGOs for team-building or youth development sails.



Do you proud

We want to make you proud to be part of our operations. Rest assured, at tall ship *MJ* it is our mission to make our guest feel:



Enriched

Ease



Expected Guest will feel our anticipation of their arrival



Safe Guest will experience extra touches that show them we care



Thought Of
Guest will be engaged with as
individuals and with special
thought to their needs



Awed
Guest will encounter the magic and romance of sailing tallships



Informed
Guest will be informed of what to
expect with simple, clear methods
all along the way



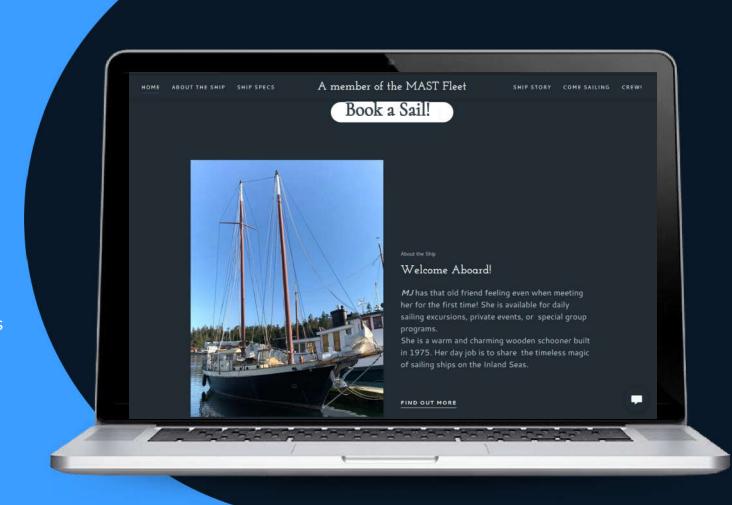
Curious

Guest will be connected with opportunity for more excitement in the future

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As a local attraction we will make bookings as clear and simple as possible.

Our booking software can track partner referrals and provide **perks and rewards** to businesses that suggest us. (That's You!)



OUR TEAM

To Connect People to boats, to water, and to each other



Consultants

We have outside help to get this right. Shipwrights, the Coast Guard, and local business owners, to name a few.

Staff

We already have excited local recruits and some old salts too!



MJ's adventure!

Ship & Dock Specifications



Ship Specifications:

- 50' Length at Waterline
- 62' Length Over All
- 12' Beam
- 5' Draft

Ship Specifications continued:

- Material Wood
- Make Tancook Whaler
- 2 Mast, 4 Sails



- Built in 1975
- USCG Certified Passenger Vessel*

*Will be at time of operation.

Thank you

"WHERE DREAMS SAIL."

Thank you for considering MAST & tall ship MJ as a positive opportunity.

Please feel free to give us a shout!

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