



A BASTION OF MEMORY

A projected video
artwork by **Ben Wood**

On View, Thursday – Monday,
from **10am - 4:30pm**

2nd Floor West
Bastion
OLD FORT POINT

ANIMATING UNHEARD STORIES OF FORT POINT

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Artist **Ben Wood**, in collaboration with Fort Point National Historic Site, presents a video artwork inside the brick West Bastion of Fort Point. The 45-minute show visually explores the fort during the early 20th century, focusing on the Fort Point Life Saving Station, the Lighthouse, and the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge.

The stories of women and men who lived and worked here are brought life through photos and sound. **Captain Cornelius Sullivan** served at the Fort Point Life Saving Station. **Meriam Nagel** grew up at the Fort Point Light Station from 1906 - 1920. Sisters **Louis Cook** and **Josephine Hettel** lived at the Fort Point Light Station in the 1920's before it closed to make way for the bridge. **Evan "Slim" Lambert** survived the Golden Gate Bridge accident of February 1937, in which he tried to save **Fred Dummatzen's** life. Dummatzen's photos of the construction accompany Lambert's account.

This video presents animated sequences created by artfully stitching together historic photographs, with oral histories from archives of the Maritime National Historic Library, GGNRA Park Archives and Records Center and the San Francisco Labor Archive.

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