



Sail Training on the US Brig NIAGARA
NASOH Session

The Erie Maritime Museum (EMM,) which, in conjunction with the Flagship Niagara League, operates the US Brig *Niagara*, is excited to announce a special half-price session of its Sail Training Program, in conjunction with the North American Society for Oceanic History (NASOH) Conference. This year's NASOH conference will be hosted by EMM from May 14th – 17th, 2014, in Erie, Pennsylvania.

Niagara's keystone curriculum, live-aboard sail training, is an immersive experience in 19th -century seamanship and seafaring technology. The Sail Training session following the NASOH Conference will include either two or three weeks (your choice) of the following:

- Sailing and working on *Niagara*, a 198' LOA reconstructed War of 1812 brig. Participants will take part in all aspects of shipboard life, as able, including work aloft.
- Instruction in small boat seamanship, sailing and rowing *Niagara's* complement of cutters, which include dipping lug and sprit rigs.
- Completion of the final phases of *Niagara's* up-rig, to include crossing yards, bending on sails, and the practical application of traditional marlinspike seamanship.



Other particulars include:

- Price reduced from \$1575 to \$750 for conference attendees. This does not include conference registration, which is handled separately by NASOH.
- Price includes lodging onboard the ship during the conference.
- Includes both lodging and board and board for the remainder of the program. *Niagara's* accommodations are spartan, but cozy. EMM provides shoreside shower facilities and three professionally-prepared meals a day.
- Session runs for two weeks after the completion of the conference, i.e., from May 14th through June 1st. Participants may stay on through June 9th at no additional charge.
- Please register by submitting a trainee application and \$375 deposit by April 1st. Late registrations may be contemplated on a case-by case basis. Contact *Niagara's* Director of Marine Operations, Joseph Lengieza, at marineops@flagshipniagara.org or (814) 452-2744 ext. 214 for details or to register.
- Course credit may be available through your college or university.

This is an excellent opportunity for aspiring or practicing Maritime Historians and Archaeologists to gain a practical understanding of how a sailing ship actually works, something which is professionally invaluable, and impossible to learn from books alone.

