

MHA CREW BASICS TRAINING OVERVIEW – 2019

The MHA Crew Basics Training (CBT) program prepares volunteers to sail as crew on boats in the Maritime Heritage Alliance’s fleet. No previous sailing experience is required.

Requirements for Basic Crew Trainees:

- Enroll as an MHA volunteer
- Be at least 18 years of age. Youths 14-17 years can be trained if partnered with a trainee-parent or other adult and parental approval.
- Be physically capable of carrying out the duties of a crew member.
- Submit \$50 training fee at start of course to cover the cost of the training manual and related materials.

MHA Crew Basics Classroom Sessions:

Includes four (4) winter and early spring classroom presentations and with an emphasis on hands-on learning and practice.

Following completion of general MHA Crew Basics, trainees will have the opportunity to select one or all of the following paths and move forward with the additional required on-pre-season maintenance and onboard training as:

- Schooner *Madeline* deckhand
- Cutter *Champion* deckhand
- Small boat deckhand



2019 CBT Schedule

Date	Time	Description	Location
Crew Training Basics – Required Sessions			
Saturday, March 2	9:30am – 1:30 pm	Registration Intro/Orientation to MHA & Crew Basics Safety Marlinspike Basics: about line, tools, knots, whipping, mousing, <i>etc.</i> BYO Lunch	MHA Boat Shop*
Thursday, March 7	7-9 pm	Great Lakes History & Interpretation (joint session with trained <i>Madeline</i> crew)	Traverse Bay United Methodist Church**
Saturday, March 23	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	-Basics of crew management -Shop, tool & material handling safety -Basics of prep and finishing wooden boats (Includes hands-on activities)	MHA Boat Shop
Saturday, April 6	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	Traditional Rigs Sails & sail handling Line handling: making fast, coiling, heaving BYO lunch	MHA Boat Shop

The schedule for pre-season maintenance and on-board training varies for each vessel and are finalized as the time for these activity draws near. As a general guide, pre-season maintenance will continue in April and May and on-board trainings will be scheduled for June 2019.

*MHA Boat Shop is located at the Discovery Center: 13268 S. West Bayshore Dr., Traverse City, MI

**Traverse Bay United Methodist Church, 1200 Ramsdell St., Traverse City, MI

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