

**THE THIRD ANNUAL  
'UK Maritime Heritage Forum'**

**Wednesday 1 December and Thursday 2 December 2010  
Venue: The Brunel Institute, ss Great Britain, Bristol**

**Aims of the UK Maritime Heritage Forum**

- To bring together existing maritime heritage groups (e.g. MCG, ACNHS) in an annual forum to share experiences and knowledge
- To encourage dialogue and broader engagement with institutions and groups with maritime collections or interests, and with individuals on the role of maritime heritage in defining the culture of the British Isles
- To discuss issues of contemporary note to the maritime heritage sector

**PROGRAMME**

**DAY ONE – WEDNESDAY 1 DECEMBER**

**VENUE: BRUNEL INSTITUTE**

13.00 onwards	WELCOME DESK OPEN (located in the Visitor Centre) For directions see <a href="http://www.ssgreatbritain.org">www.ssgreatbritain.org</a>
<b>NOTE:</b>	<b>The following activities will take place concurrently. Please indicate on the booking form which you will attend</b>
Timing TBC	<b>Advisory Committee National Historic Ships (ACNHS) Meeting</b> (N.B. for ACNHS members only) <b>Venue:</b> Kirby Laing Room
14.30–16.30	<b>Tours of ss Great Britain</b> (Meet at Welcome Desk in Visitor Centre)
14.30–17.00	<b>Maritime Curators Group (MCG) Meeting</b>  (All museum curators working with museum collections are welcome to attend this meeting but you should indicate this on the booking form) <b>Venue:</b> Viridor Theatre

14.30–17.00	<p><b>Maritime Educators Group</b></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> Board Room</p>
17.00–18.00	Free time to return to/check into hotels.
18.00–18.30	<p><b>Formal Welcome to the 2010 UKMHF</b> Matthew Tanner, Director &amp; Chief Executive, ss Great Britain Trust</p> <p><b>Followed by brief business updates by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Historic Ships (NHS)</li> <li>• Maritime Curators Group (MCG)</li> <li>• UK Maritime Collections Strategy (UKMCS)</li> <li>• Maritime Educators Group</li> </ul> <p><b>Venue:</b> The Viridor Theatre</p>
18.30–20.30	<p><b>RECEPTION – WINE AND FINGER BUFFET</b></p> <p>Venue: First Class Dining Saloon &amp; Hayward Saloon</p> <p><i>N.B. The buffet includes substantial finger food and the bar will be open until late</i></p>

**DAY TWO – THURSDAY 2 DECEMBER**  
**VENUE: THE VIRIDOR THEATRE, BRUNEL INSTITUTE**

<b>Session One</b>	<b>WELCOME AND KEYNOTE</b>
08.45–09.00	TEA AND COFFEE
09.00–09.15	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Kevin Fewster Director, National Maritime Museum
09.15–10.15	<b>Keynote Lecture</b>  Dame Jenny Abramsky Chair of Heritage Lottery Fund  <i>(Approx 45 minutes followed by 15 minutes questions)</i>
10.15–10.45	COFFEE BREAK
<b>Session Two</b>	<b>PANEL SESSION</b>
10.45–12.00	<b>How Can Museums &amp; Historic Vessels Respond Proactively to the Current Economic Climate?</b>  Bill Ferris Chief Executive, Chatham Historic Dockyard Trust  Jonathan Griffin Director, National Maritime Museum, Cornwall  Jane Ryder Chief Executive, Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) & Scottish Representative, ACNHS  <i>(3 x 10-minute opinion pieces followed by 45 minutes discussion)</i>
12.00–12.15	COMFORT BREAK

<b>Session Three</b>	<b>ARCHIVE SESSION</b>
12.15–13.00	<p><b>Stories From Within The Archive</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Margarett Lincoln Deputy Director, National Maritime Museum</p> <p>Rhian Tritton Director of Museum &amp; Educational Services, ss Great Britain Trust</p> <p>Dr Kirsty Reid Senior Lecturer in History, University of Bristol</p> <p><i>(30 minutes in total followed by 15 minutes discussion)</i></p>
13.00–14.00	LUNCH
<b>Session Four</b>	<b>TECHNOLOGY SESSION</b>
14.00–15.30	<p><b>Technology and Audiences</b> Chair: Martyn Heighton, Director, National Historic Ships</p> <p>Professor Crosbie Smith Professor of the History of Science, University of Kent <i>Representing ships: then and now</i></p> <p>Matthew Tanner Director &amp; Chief Executive, ss Great Britain Trust <i>“It’s just an old ship!” The ss Great Britain, and her latter-day conservation and interpretation</i></p> <p><i>(2 x 30 minute talks followed by 30 minutes discussion)</i></p>
<b>Session Five</b>	<b>CLOSING SESSION</b>
15.30–15.45	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b> Kevin Fewster Director, National Maritime Museum</p> <p><b>Preview of the 2011 UK Maritime Heritage Forum by the 2011 Host</b> Richard Holdsworth, Museum &amp; Heritage Director, Chatham Historic Dockyard</p>
15.45	FINISH