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Rum Raiser

Where: Santa Barbara Maritime Museum, 113 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara
When: Sunday, August 11, 2019, 4:00-6:00 pm
Fundraiser featuring rum tastings, rum cocktails, appetizers, donuts, rum-flavored ice cream, and steel drummer Ross Harper.

Cost: $40 (SBMM Members) ♦ $50 (Non-members)

Please RSVP and Register at sbmm.org or call (805) 456-8747

In celebration of its *Rum Running, Sailors & Prohibition* exhibit, the Santa Barbara Maritime Museum is excited to announce a special "Rum-Raiser" on Sunday, August 11, 2019, at 4:00pm on the museum's scenic harbor-front patio.

Rum-Raiser will feature rum drinks and tastings by **Real McCoy Rum, Black Bart Navy Rum**, and **Goleta Red Distilling Company**, including two new specialty cocktails—Captain Greg's Grog and Diver Don's Daiquiri. Food tastings will feature Chuck's Waterfront Grill, Bluewater Grill, Spices N Rice and donuts by Hook and Press.

Rum Running, Sailors & Prohibition, which runs through October 20, 2019, tells the story of rum, the part it played in the rich history of sea-going men and its connection to Santa Barbara. Covering more than 400 years, the exhibit illustrates the New World's first distilled spirit, from its origins on 17th century Caribbean sugar cane plantations to the role of slavery, including:

- The stories of British and American sailors;
- Prohibition bootlegging / rum running- the organized smuggling of imported whiskey, rum and other liquor by sea and over land in the United States
- Speakeasies, highlighting the story of pioneer rum runner "Bill McCoy" and Real McCoy Rum.
- Santa Barbara's own prohibition history, including the arrest of Dr. Sansum!

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Since 2000, the **Santa Barbara Maritime Museum** has featured many artifacts and stories to share the history of the Santa Barbara Channel with more than 40,000 visitors annually and provides year-round experiential maritime history and marine science education for local youth. Featuring the impressive *First-Order Fresnel Lighthouse Lens* from Point Conception, SBMM's current exhibits explore *The History of Oil in the Santa Barbara Channel*, *Honda Disaster*, and *Wives and Daughters: Keepers of the Light.*

SBMM is located at the historic Santa Barbara Harbor at 113 Harbor Way, Suite 190, Santa Barbara, CA 93109. Visit sbmm.org or call (805) 962-8404 for details.

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