THE WHALING MUSEUM'S
MUSEUM TO-YOU

Sept-Dec 2022
FOR ADULTS

We offer lectures and art workshops exploring worlds above & below the waves through the lens of culture, science, history, and art.

ART WORKSHOPS

CORN HUSK DOLL WORKSHOP
Explore the folktale behind the hobby of the corn husk doll, a traditional craft shared by Native American and colonist families. Learn about the cultural significance of corn husk dolls and how they were created. Craft your own figure using corn husks and other materials — perfect for enhancing your Thanksgiving table!

BEAD WEAVING WORKSHOP
Taking inspiration from wampum beads created from Long Island beaches, join us for this workshop to discover the history of this ancient craft and its role for Indigenous Long Islanders. Create a woven beaded accessory of your own.

SCRIMSHAW ART WORKSHOP
Scrimshaw, whalers’ art on teeth and bone, is considered one of the first American folk arts. See examples of scrimshaw from the museum's collection, and carve your own scrimshaw-style art on a keepsake box.

EACH PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE 3 WAYS:

- IN-PERSON
- LIVE VIRTUAL
  WITH CRAFT KIT
- PRE-RECORDED
  WITH CRAFT KIT

Scrimshaw Carving
Lectures

Ghost Ships
Explore the stories behind history’s spookiest ghost ships, or abandoned vessels found at sea with mysterious crews that seemingly vanished. Find out about the Flying Dutchman and the Mary Celeste, including tales of ghosts aboard real-life whaleships that exist today, like the Charles W. Morgan.

Tales of Women at Sea
Explore the fascinating yet little-known lives, stories, and experiences of pioneering 19th-Century American whaling wives who defied convention. Find out about their diverse experiences around the world through photographs, journal entries, and artifacts.

Sharks of NY & Long Island
Did you know sharks have existed longer than trees? Find out about shark myths and the histories of shark attacks in New York in this informative talk. Discover the range of magnificent and diverse shark species we share our local shores and waters with.

Whaling on Long Island
After farming, whaling was Long Island’s first commercial industry, which significantly shaped our communities. Travel back through time and explore Long Island’s long & complex history of whaling, and find out why, how and where whaling took place with photographs, quotes, and artifacts.

Inside the Mind of the Whale
Find out what researchers have uncovered about whales’ thinking, cognitive abilities, and their astonishing behaviors in the wild which set them apart, including sophisticated memory skills, recognition, societal structures, and unique dialects. You’ll be amazed!