

Sailing to Freedom: New Bedford's Place in the Underground Railroad

**Workshop Weekly Schedule**

**Week Two July 21 - July 26, 2013**

**Sunday July 21, 2013**

Afternoon 5 - 6 PM Participants arrive at the Fairfield Inn, New Bedford, MA  
**Registration**

6:30 - 9:30  
Evening

**Welcome and summer scholar introductions.** General orientation to Sailing to Freedom, University of MA, Downtown New Bedford and the South Coast region.

Dr. Timothy Walker, Project Director  
Lee Blake, Project Administrator  
Light refreshments

**Film and Discussion:** *Traces of the Trade*

**Monday July 22, 2013 – New Bedford National Whaling Historical Park**

9 – 9:30 **Film and discussion: The City that Lit the World**

9:30 - 11:00 **Overview of the Underground Railroad**  
Kate Clifford Larsen, Simmons College

11: 00 – 12:30 **New Bedford: The Fugitive's Gibraltar**  
Abolitionism and Escaping Slaves in New Bedford  
Kathryn Grover, Independent Historian

12:30 -1:30 Lunch

Afternoon  
1:30 – 3:00 **Black Seamen: A Historic Legacy**  
Jeffrey Bolster, University of New Hampshire

3:15- 4:45 **The Coastal Trades and Underground Railroad Routes**  
David Cecelski, Independent Historian

5:00 -7 PM Dinner with Summer Scholars

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**Tuesday July 23, 2013 – New Bedford Whaling Museum**

9 - 10:30 **Overview of New Bedford Waterfront Trades**  
Tim Walker, UMD History Department

10:45 – 12:30 **New Bedford's African American Community  
Demographics and Employment Areas**  
Len Travers, UMD History Department

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

1:30 - 3:15 **New Bedford, Abolitionism, and Frederick Douglass**  
John Stauffer, Harvard University

3:15 - 5:00 Split into two Groups:

Group A:

**New Bedford Whaling Museum Collections**

Kendall Library

Michael Dyer, Maritime Curator

Group B:

**Waterfront Walking Tour**

National Park Rangers

5 – 6:30 Dinner break

6:30 - 8 PM **Voices of Black Abolitionists: In Prose, Poetry and Song**  
Everett Hoagland and Candida Rose  
Artworks!

**Wednesday July 24, 2013 Boston, MA**

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Film on bus: William Still and the Underground Railroad

8 - 5 PM

Morning

### **Field Trip to Boston**

Boston National Historical Park  
Boston African American National Historic Site  
Charlestown Navy Yard  
Boston Freedom Trail Walking Tour

6:30 – 8:30

### **Concert - Music of the Underground Railroad**

Kim and Reggie Harris  
Rotch Jones Duff House Museum

**Thursday July 25, 2013 – New Bedford Public Library**

9 - 10:30

### **Walking Tour – New Bedford's Underground Railroad**

New Bedford Historical Society

11:00 - 12:30

### **Writing History**

Kit Dunlap, UMASS Buzzards Bay Writing Center

12:30 - 1:30

Lunch Social sponsored – **New Bedford Friends Meeting House**

1:30 - 3:00

### **Resources for Teaching Underground Railroad Slave Narratives**

Laurie Robertson-Lorant, Bridgewater State University

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Evening Focus chose one activity

A - Teaching the Underground Railroad

B - Creating Computer Presentations for Classroom Usage

**Friday**

**July 26, 2013**

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9 - 10:30 AM **Gendered Resistance: Women's Resistance to Enslavement**  
Delores Walters, University of Rhode Island

10:30 - 12 **Teaching the Underground Railroad  
Primary Sources and Curriculum Development**  
Guidelines for Classroom Projects  
Jessica Ross and Polly Zajac

12 - 1 PM Lunch

1 - 3:30 PM **Classroom Projects and Presentations**

**Wrap up** Discussion and program evaluations  
Tim Walker