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The Tall Ship Amistad Is Coming to Greenport for Maritime Festival

September 2, 2022, New Haven, CT – The tall ship *Amistad* will sail into Greenport Harbor, on the North Shore of Long Island, on September 21 to attend the 2022 Maritime Festival, which will take place on the Greenport waterfront from September 23-25.

Free public tours of the *Amistad*, which is the flagship of Connecticut, will be offered on the following times and dates:

September 23: 3-7 PM

September 24: 11 – 5 PM

September 25: 11 – 5 PM

The ship will be tied up at the Third Street Dock, behind the East End Seaport Museum and Maritime Foundation.

To reserve free tickets, please go to https://www.discoveringamistad.org/news-events.

The *Amistad's* visit to Greenport is being underwritten by a grant from Safe Harbor Northport.

The *Amistad's* visit to Greenport is part of the 2022 Voyage For Freedom, which began in May in Stamford and will conclude in October in Middletown. The Voyage brings history to life, celebrating the resilience and agency of 53 natives from Sierra Leone who were kidnapped and illegally sold into slavery in 1839. They fought for their lives and their freedom aboard the *Amistad*. The trial, which found those involved in the *Amistad* Uprising not guilty, marked the first affirmation of human rights by the US Supreme Court. It was an early victory for black and white abolitionists and led to the eventual return of the captives to their native land.