WHO IS ELISSA?

ELISSA is an iron hulled 19th century square rigged sailing ship built in Aberdeen Scotland. One of the last of her kind, she sets 18 sails with canvas that would cover 1/4 of an acre of land.

Beautifully restored and still sailing, ELISSA offers students a chance to learn the ropes and become sailor’s for a day!

It is firmly held by the Texas Seaport Museum that preserving the traditional seamanship skills and lore required to sail a traditionally rigged ship is just as important as the ship itself.

CALL TO BOOK!

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IT’S A SAILOR’S LIFE

Program Aboard the 1877 Tall Ship ELISSA
SET THE SAILS

Join the crew of ELISSA as they present a unique adventure, “It’s a Sailor’s Life,” and delve into the world of tall ships and ocean voyages. Participants will be immersed in the life and times of a 19th century sailor and learn what it took to make it on the high seas.

After a tour of ELISSA and a special presentation of the film “Passage to Galveston: The Story of ELISSA”, the crew learns the ropes with hands-on activities including setting one of ELISSA’s sails, marlinspike seamanship and line handling.

PROGRAM OPTIONS

“It’s a Sailor’s Life” Day Program
• Ages 8 to 15
• Min. # participants 10
• Max. # participants 30
• $25 per person
• 3 hour Program Includes:
  Tour of ELISSA
  Set a Sail Dockside
  Personalize a Flag to Fly on ELISSA
  Hands on Learning of Traditional Seamanship

“It’s a Sailor’s Life” Overnight Program
• Ages 8-15
• Min. # participants 30
• Max. # participants 40
• $50 per person
• Overnight program includes:
  All Components of Day Program, Plus
  Overnight Camping Stay on Board
  Capstan Tug of War
  Breakfast

LIMITED AVAILABILITY

SET A COURSE

Adventure is assured with this program but, “It’s a Sailor’s Life” is strongly based on an educational foundation as well. Teamwork, self reliance, discipline, and hard work were the staples of life at sea, and all of those qualities are vital to making this program a trip to remember. History, science, and ecology also bring the ship to life and create a fun yet educational experience for all.