

INTRODUCTION

This Activity Guide is designed to promote an understanding of the lives of historic and contemporary Chesapeake Bay watermen, specifically for students studying the Maryland Unit in Social Studies. Developed by a team of Anne Arundel County Public School educators, activities are appropriate for 3rd through 5th graders and address the content standards for History, Geography, Economics, Political Systems, and Social Studies Skills. (For more information, see the Curriculum Connections Chart included in the Activity Guide.) Many of the lessons have interdisciplinary connections to Science, Math, Art, and Language Arts. The Activity Guide provides opportunities for students to work alone and in groups, and offers lessons that appeal to different learning styles.

Seasons of a Chesapeake Bay Waterman Field Trip

The lessons contained in this guide may be used as pre- or post-field trip activities for the all-day program *Seasons of a Chesapeake Bay Waterman*, offered by the Captain Salem Avery House Museum and Discovery Village in Shady Side, Maryland.

They may also serve as stand-alone classroom activities for students studying the history and environment of Maryland and the Chesapeake Bay.

Use with Other Chesapeake Bay Gateway Sites

The Activity Guide also includes lessons that connect to the educational programs of other Chesapeake Bay Gateway sites that interpret the waterman's story – in particular: the Annapolis Maritime Museum in Annapolis, Maryland; Pickering Creek Audubon Center and Sanctuary in Easton, Maryland; and the Skipjack, *Nathan of Dorchester*, in Cambridge, Maryland.

To enrich your experience of a waterman's world, we encourage users of this Guide to visit the above Chesapeake Bay Gateway sites. In the section *Experience the Waterman's Story!*, you will find visitor information provided for your convenience.

Look for Best Picks! – a chart of recommendations for the top pre- and post-activities for field trips to each of the above Chesapeake Bay Gateway sites.

Teachers are free to reproduce any materials in the Activity Guide for use in the classroom.