



The World Wildlife-Heritage Museum

# LOCAL HISTORY

## Boats and Bridges

Local history serves as both a boat and a bridge—a way to journey across time while connecting people, places, and ideas. Through stories of migration, work, community, and change, visitors discover how seemingly local events are linked to broader histories that span regions, nations, and generations.



## Explore...

- The stories of Sicilian immigrant fishing families and their contributions to local communities
- The history of the Port Chicago Disaster and its significance in American civil rights and military history
- Connections between California's waterfront industries and global communities
- The family history of baseball legend Joe DiMaggio and his roots in a Sicilian fishing village
- Stories of migration, settlement, and community building



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## Topics and Themes

- Community development
- Civic institutions and public life
- Migration, settlement, and population change
- Connections between local, state, and national history
- Geography and the shaping of communities
- The role of individuals in history

### Help Us Support Your Learning Goals

Every classroom is different. Tell us about your lesson plans, instructional objectives, and areas of focus, and we will work with you to highlight the exhibits, themes, and activities that best support your students' learning.

## Questions? Contact Our Education Coordinator:

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