

## **MISSION**

The mission of the Maritime

Museum of San Diego is to bring
discovery and adventure to life by
serving as the community memory
of our seafaring experience
by collecting, preserving, and
presenting our rich maritime
heritage and historic connections
with the Pacific world.



**Bringing Adventure and Discovery to Life** 

## **PREMISE**

The history of human achievement is defined in large measure by our historical relationship with the sea. Not only has the sea determined the progress and shape of civilization, our understanding of that relationship and our responsibilities for stewardship of the oceans will determine our future. This relationship cannot be understood or defined in purely scientific terms; culture exerts a dominating influence. The role of any maritime museum is translation between human experience of the oceans and our understanding of their nature.

## **PURPOSE**

- to preserve the traditional knowledge, skills, and folk culture of the enterprise of the sea
- to provide a safe repository for material culture
- to illustrate how the maritime enterprise has touched and continues to influence our daily lives through innovative and engaging educational programs, exhibits, publications, and cultural events