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2026 Dinner & Cruise Series at St. Clement's Island Museum Expands Cruise Types, Routes, Themes & More with Debut of New Water Taxi Vessel

LEONARDTOWN, MD – The St. Mary's County Museum Division is pleased to announce that the 2026 *Dinner & A Cruise* series will kick off this spring with a brand-new water taxi vessel, expanded routes, and even more cruise types. These themed cruises offer visitors the opportunity to enjoy a fun evening cruising on the St. Clement's Island Water Taxi, paired with dinner or other fare and special themes.

With the purchase of a much larger vessel, the St. Mary's County Museum Division will be able to expand cruise types, destinations, and routes, as the boat will now be capable of traveling farther along the Potomac.

This exciting opportunity allows for a full year of diverse cruise experiences, including:

- April 26, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: Between North & South
- May 16, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise (Picnic Style): Author Christine Trent
- May 31, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: Manor Houses along the Potomac & Patuxent River
- June 28, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: A Conversation with Local Historian Julia King
- August 9, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: Blackistone Lighthouse
- September 5, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise (Picnic Style): World War II
- September 27, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: An Ecological Look at the Potomac
- October 18, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: The Oyster Wars
- October 29, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise (Picnic Style): A Haunted River Cruise (Thursday)
- October 30, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise (Picnic Style): A Haunted River Cruise (Friday)
- October 31, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: A Haunted River Cruise
- November 19, 2026 – Dinner & a Cruise: Star Gazing

Please note that the regular dinner cruises include transportation to a local seafood restaurant for a sit-down meal. The “*Picnic Style*” cruises invite guests to bring their favorite food and drinks and create their own floating feast. Please remember to pack everything you'll need, as the boat will not have provisions available onboard.

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Tickets are \$95 per person for regular dinner cruises (seafood dinner included) and \$25 per person for picnic-style cruises. For more information or to reserve tickets, please visit <https://bit.ly/DinnerCruise2026> or email Janet Cooper at Janet.Cooper@stmaryscountymd.gov.

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About the St. Mary's County Museum Division

The St. Mary's County Museum Division was established by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to collect, preserve, research, and interpret the historic sites and artifacts which illustrate the natural and cultural histories of St. Mary's County and the Potomac River. These sites include St. Clement's Island Museum, Piney Point Lighthouse Museum, the Old Jail Museum, and the Drayden African American Schoolhouse. With this as its charter, the Museum Division serves as a resource, liaison, and community advocate for all St. Mary's County public and private cultural assets. For more information, please visit: museums.stmarysmd.com.

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