



“THE GROUP EFFORT OF GOODNESS!”

Volunteers Making Ship Happen



Lilac is normally open every weekend from Memorial Day weekend until October.

She has been closed to the public during the pandemic.

“I LEARN SOMETHING NEW EVERY TIME I COME HERE”



Volunteers have responded, with a number of new crew members joining in the work. Skilled workers are welcome, but volunteers also learn on the job.



We have had to establish COVID-19 protocols to keep volunteers safe but we already have experience with PPE and safe work practices.

In addition to masks being required, we provided hand sanitizer, established assessment and contact tracing procedures, and limited crew size.



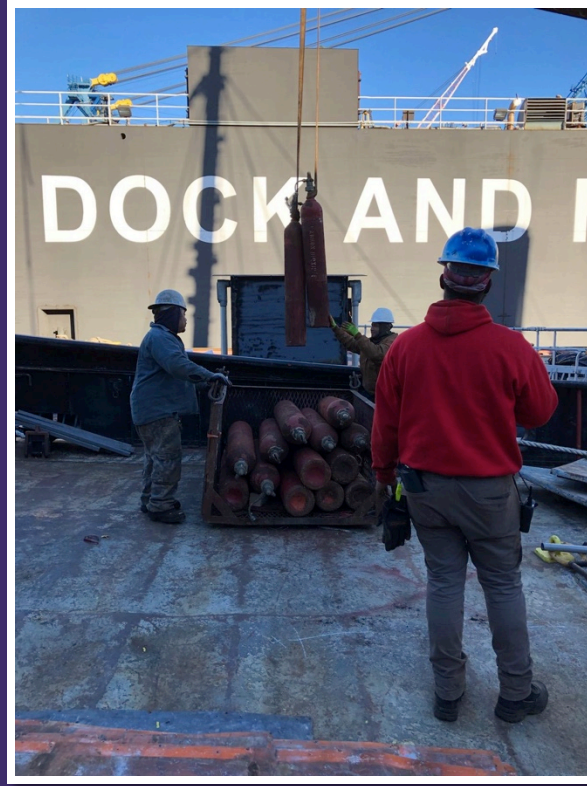
“I enjoy the physical work on the boat and how cool it is to learn about the history and the functions of the ship—and how nice everyone is to spend time with!”





Volunteers helped us move Lilac to a shipyard on Staten Island in November to conduct a stability experiment and do other work to prepare the ship for future operation, including removing the propellers long stored on deck.





Among other jobs for which the shipyard's riggers and crane were essential was removing CO2 cylinders from the hold





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