

# Mel Fisher Maritime Museum

*Celebrating 30 Years of Treasure!*

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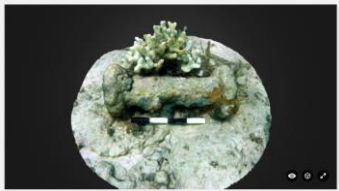
## Our Summer Camps are Full!



2015 summer camp sessions include Sea Stewards, Ancient Arts, Art and Artifacts.

## 3D Artifact Model

Guerrero Iron Bar Shot



Click the link below and interact with a 3D model developed by our museum archaeologist. The artifact is an iron bar shot found at the wreck site of pirate-slaver Guerrero (1827). The ship hit a reef near Key Largo while being pursued by a British anti-slavery patrol vessel. Guerrero sank with its human cargo of 561 Africans, 41 of whom drowned.



MFMM provided over 1000 free Blue Star admissions in 2014.

## What is a Blue Star Museum?

The Blue Star Museum program is a collaboration among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense, and more than 2,000 museums that offer free admission to our active duty military personnel and their families from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

The program was developed to improve the quality of life for the one million children who have had at least one parent deployed by offering these families a chance to visit museums during the summer despite limited resources and limited time together.

## MFMM artifacts featured in Inca art exhibit at Dallas Museum of Art



MFMM director Melissa Kendrick attended the exhibition's premiere and took part in the fanfare. The exhibition was the multi-year project of Dr. Kimberly Jones. She curated this wonderful exhibition beginning with Inca objects from

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## Earth Day Celebrated with Sea Turtle Day!



Sea Turtle Day at KW Turtle Museum was a big hit thanks to local conservation groups like the Turtle Hospital, the Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission and the Key West Sea Turtle Club. The KW Turtle Museum is curated and managed by MFMM.

## TripAdvisor Says: INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE

"Enjoyed seeing all the things they brought up out of the ocean. Interesting to see how things looked in the ocean and how they cleaned them up." Montana Visitor, May 2015



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the DMA collection that have never been displayed. After accompanying Dr. Jones on a pre-opening tour of the galleries, Kendrick says " Dr. Jones has taken hundreds of priceless objects from textiles to precious metals to reveal the culture and traditions of the Inca people. This has been an ambitious undertaking. Every object was selected to illustrate an advanced and mysterious culture. Everything is incredibly well done." Spanning more than 4,000 sf DMA added to their collection with items lent from across North America. Bone carvings, ceramics, and military textiles reveal the hierarchical society that the Europeans encountered when colonizing the New World. If you are in the Dallas area, please visit the Dallas Museum of Art. The exhibition runs through November 15, 2015.

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## MFMM Pop Up Museum: Stories of the Transatlantic Slave Trade Hosted by 50 Florida Schools (2014-15)



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