

IYRS to Host Open Houses in Newport and Bristol in November **Events are Valuable Opportunities to Learn about Marine Careers and Training**

October 27, 2009 — The International Yacht Restoration School will host open houses at both its Newport and Bristol facilities in November. These events will provide individuals interested in marine careers a valuable opportunity to learn about the marine industry and career and training opportunities in the field.

On Thursday, November 5, from 4 pm to 7 pm, IYRS will host a Newport Open House inside Restoration Hall, located at the school's main campus on Thames Street. The school runs its two-year Boat Building & Restoration program at Restoration Hall, and attendees will have an opportunity to meet students and see the classic-boat restoration projects they are now working on.

On Thursday, November 12, from 4 pm to 7 pm, IYRS will host a Bristol Open House at its 5,000–square foot Marine Systems facility on Franklin Street. The IYRS facility is located at the Franklin Street Marine Corridor, a recently developed educational/industrial complex that is home to marine training programs and area marine companies.

IYRS runs its 10-month Marine Systems program in Bristol, and attendees of the Bristol event will have an opportunity to meet students and tour the training facility where students learn to install, maintain, and troubleshoot the onboard systems used on modern and classic boats.

At both open houses, IYRS students will be joined by school staff and instructors, as well as members of the marine industry. These individuals will be on hand to help educate attendees about training programs available at the school, career opportunities in the marine industry, and tuition-funding resources available to potential students.

The IYRS Newport campus is located at 449 Thames Street. The IYRS Bristol facility is located at 253 Franklin Street. Directions to both facilities can be found at the school's website at www.iyrs.org.

For more information, or to schedule an appointment to meet with an IYRS staff member during either open house, please contact John Freer, Director of Admissions (401-848-5777, ext 203 / jfreer@iyrs.org).