

The Friends of Pleasant Bay

Exciting New Floating Classroom Coming to Pleasant Bay!

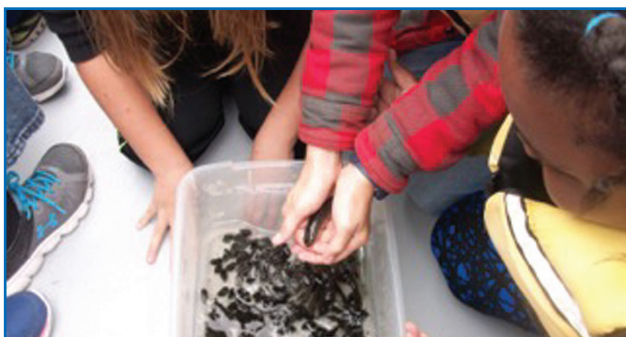
The Friends of Pleasant Bay (FOPB) is teaming up with Pleasant Bay Community Boating (PBCB), the Center for Coastal Studies (CCS), and the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center (CMMC) to create a Floating Classroom Research Vessel.

Designed with students in mind, the pontoon boat is 37' long and 12' wide, carries 30 passengers, is wheelchair-accessible, and is a "green" vessel powered by electric motors and solar panels. The boat is mostly covered, with an open foredeck for research sampling and equipment deployment. A laboratory table runs down the center, with storage beneath. The shallow draft of the boat will allow for access to remote areas of the bay.

The Floating Classroom will be operated and managed by PBCB. Educators, researchers, and stewardship organizations can reserve 2.5 hour increments, with a captain and mate. This three-season vessel will be ready for summer, 2018.

The Friends of Pleasant Bay offers education grants to schools in Brewster, Chatham, Harwich, and Orleans. The Floating Classroom will make it possible for teachers to include trips out on the bay waters in their grant-funded projects.

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