

From Clipper Ships to Solar Sails

C Bangs and Greg Matloff

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at BWAC
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Brooklyn, New York— C Bangs and Greg Matloff take you from the 19th century Clipper Ships in the New York harbor to the advanced technology of Solar Sails that allow communication beyond boundaries. Inspired by comet tails, German astronomer Johannes Kepler suggested that, "ships and sails proper for heavenly air should be fashioned," to glide through space. Their presentation demonstrates that while clipper ships and solar sails differ in construction, both technologies are known for their great speed and can be considered game changers for humankind.

This presentation is held in conjunction with [On the Waterfront: A View from the Coast \(Line\)](#), a CENTRAL BOOKING exhibition in collaboration with the New-York Historical Society, featuring installations by fourteen artists. On view from March 3-April 23, Saturdays and Sundays, 12-6pm and by appointment.

The 44-page catalog for *On the Waterfront: A View from the Coast (Line)*, including a Preface by Margi Hofer, Museum Director of the New-York Historical Society, is available for viewing and purchase [online](#) and at the New-York Historical Society Museum Shop.

C Bangs merges art & science in traditional and non-traditional mediums. Her work is included in public and private collections and books and journals. Public Collections include MoMA, Brooklyn Museum, Institute for Interstellar Studies, Custer Institute, Library of Congress, NASA's MSFC, British Interplanetary Society, New York City College of Technology, Pratt Institute, Cornell University and Pace University.

Greg Matloff, Professor at NYC College of Technology, consulted for NASA, is expert in space propulsion, SETI, Exoplanet Detection, and Planetary Atmospheres. He has authored 12 books and 100+ papers, is a Fellow of the British Interplanetary Society, Hayden Associate at the American Museum of Natural History, Member of the International Astronautics Academy and Advisor to Breakthrough Initiative Project Starshot.

CENTRAL BOOKING is a multi-disciplinary international art gallery, founded by artist/curator Maddy Rosenberg, dedicated to the expanse of the book as art in dialog with the convergence of art & science.

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