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NEW EXHIBIT: Cleveland Rockwell (1837 - 1907)
Astoria, the Lower Columbia & the Coast

Opening: Friday, May 20th, 2011
Duration: May 20th - July 20th

The Columbia River Maritime Museum is proud to host a very special exhibit for the opening weekend of Astoria's Bicentennial Celebration. This new exhibit is a collection of works by Cleveland Rockwell focusing on the region: Astoria, the Lower Columbia River & the Coast.

Cleveland Rockwell was the foremost painter of the Pacific Northwest. Although he did not become a full-time painter until his retirement in 1892, the many sketches he made on his expeditions with U.S. Coast Survey served as the basis for his later oil and watercolor paintings. With a life-long passion for fishing, hiking and climbing, Rockwell knew his scenes intimately.

Showing sketches, watercolors and oil paintings of this area from over a century ago, this exhibit depicts the stunning beauty of the unspoiled local landscape. With the eye of a surveyor and an engineer, Cleveland Rockwell captured the natural beauty and grandeur of his subjects, documenting the Columbia and the coast at a time when change was occurring rapidly and before photography was readily available.

This exhibit is limited to a two month showing. All exhibits are free to Museum members or with paid admission to the Museum.

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Admission is Charged
Museum Members are Free
 Adults: \$10.00 • Seniors (over 65): \$8.00
 Children (ages 6-17): \$5.00 • Children under 6: Free