Learn about the history of whaling in New Bedford and the people who made it happen!
Harboring Hope

Find Gosnold at the Smoking Rocks Painting.

What do you think is going on here?

How do you think Native people and explorers first interacted?

Why did explorers come to this land?

Check out the Old Dartmouth Purchase.

Do you think the Native people and settlers had the same beliefs about land ownership?

Why do you think these items were valuable in 1754?

Explore the exhibit to learn about one of the wealthiest and most influential captain of his time.

At what age did Paul Cuffe go whaling?

Why do you think he was a man ahead of his time?

Create your own silhouette in the photo booth.

What did Quakers believe?

Why do you think Paul Cuffe chose this religion?

Explore the Azorean & Cape Verdean Maritime Exhibits.

Why do you think Azorean and Cape Verdean men became whalers?

Find the painting of Antonio L. Lopes, the last Cape Verdean whaler in New Bedford!