

**Gray's Reef annual research cruise aboard the NOAA Ship *Nancy Foster*
& Open House Event on Savannah's famous River Street**



As an accompaniment to our annual research cruise, Gray's Reef NMS will be hosting an **Open House** event aboard the [NOAA Ship *Nancy Foster*](#) for our community on **Saturday, April 19, from 10:00AM - 2:00PM** along the west end of Savannah's famous River Street while our research vessel is in port. Folks interested in joining us for a **30 minute guided tour** should look for the NOAA Ship *Nancy Foster* docked along the river walk and sign-up at our Gray's Reef welcome table on the dock next to the ship on the day of the event. Space and availability will be limited and participants will be given a designated time for their tour upon sign-up. Tours will be led by enthusiastic and knowledgeable staff and researchers of Gray's Reef, who forward to meeting you!

As our research cruise gets underway on Sunday, April 20 – May 1, we encourage interested community members, educators and students to follow our [2014 Nancy Foster Research Cruise](#) to observe 'real' scientists conducting marine research in the ocean waters at Gray's Reef, just offshore of the Georgia coast. In addition, educators and students may wish to follow the experience of our [Teacher-at-Sea](#) on-board the ship. And, finally, Communications and Outreach Coordinator Amy Rath will be aboard the ship and would love to answer questions regarding our research cruise.

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