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Landing School Announces Career Fair Amidst Hiring Spike

Arundel, ME – March 11, 2014 - The Landing School, a post-secondary institution focused on educating tomorrow’s marine industry professionals, is pleased to announce a career fair that will be held April 2, 2014 on their campus in Arundel, ME.

More than 20 companies from across the country will attend the event. Current students and alumni of The Landing School as well as prospective students will be able to network with companies looking to fill positions from yard crew to yacht designers. For current students and alumni it’s a chance to explore the variety of positions available to them. For prospective students, it’s a prime opportunity to see what it’s like to work in the marine industry.

“We’re seeing a great surge in demand for qualified marine industry professionals,” said Barry Acker, Director of Industry Relations and Student Placement. “We receive new job listings from the industry almost daily which is great news for both the industry and our students. It’s also a great opportunity for those who have struggled to find work over the past several years. The marine industry is once again booming as is illustrated by our industry partners who can’t fill their positions fast enough. In fact, several of our students who will not graduate until June already have job offers. It really is an exciting time to be in this industry.”

Companies attending the career fair will first tour the facility and have the chance to see Landing School students in action. Each company representative will then introduce him/herself and provide a short description of the company including what their company does and what projects they are working on currently. Company representatives will have a chance to talk with students, alumni and prospective students on a more casual level during an informal lunch and into the late afternoon.

Bob DeColfsmacker, Landing School President said, “Many of the companies coming to our career fair already employ Landing School graduates and are coming back for more. It’s a true testament to the quality of our education and how we work to meet the needs of the industry. Because we are an integral link between students and the industry, it is important that we continue to provide this type of event for our industry partners so that they can continue to do the work they’ve dedicated their lives to and so our students can obtain the rewarding career they’ve worked so hard for.”

Companies Attending
Boston Boatworks, MA
Brewer Yacht Yards, CT
Chisletts Boatworks, NH
Custom Composites, ME
Front Street Shipyard, ME
Gunboat, NC
The Hinckley Company, ME
Hodgdon Yachts, ME
Kittery Point Yacht Yard, ME
Lake Assault Boats, WI
Armstrong Marine, WA and NC
Lyman Morse Boats, ME
Morris Yachts, ME
MouldCAM, RI
New England Boatworks, RI
Ribcraft USA, MA
Robinhood Marine Center, ME
Scandia Marine Services, MD
South Port Marine, ME
Tidewater Yacht Services, MD
Wayfarer Marine, ME

For more information about this and future career fairs, please contact The Landing School's Barry Acker at 207-602-4809, barryacker@landingschool.edu.

About The Landing School
Headquartered in Arundel, Maine, The Landing School is a full-time post-secondary school that blends education in modern yacht design, boat building and marine systems technology under one roof. Founded in 1978, The School’s inaugural program focused on Wooden Boat Building. Today, the school has grown to incorporate diploma and Associate’s degree curriculums with concentrations in four programs: Wooden Boat Building (Small and Cruising Boats options), Composite Boat Building, Marine Systems and Yacht Design. The Landing School's driving force is to bridge the gap between theory and practice, providing graduates with the skills and understanding necessary for current employment opportunities and future career growth. The Landing School is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC). The Landing School is also approved as an institution of higher education by the Maine State Approving Agency for Veterans Education Programs. For more information about The School and their programs, please visit www.landingschool.edu.

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