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Cats & Dogs

ALL AT SEA

Photographs by Samuel Hood

Exhibition for Hire



Cats and dogs have been cherished on board ships for as long as people have made sea voyages. In a life from which children and families are usually missing, and are often very much missed, pets provide a focus for emotions and affection.

Sydney photographer Sam Hood went on board countless ships between 1900 and the 1950s. He took hundreds of photographs of crew members for souvenirs of their visit or to send home to families.

This selection of photographs shows how much pets meant to many seafarers. We do not know who most of the people are – detailed records have not survived. But their attachment to their little shipmates is very apparent.

Exhibition content

- 23 high resolution images (files)
- Introductory panel
- Object labels

Audience

- Families
- Students
- Photograph enthusiasts

Display period

3 months minimum

Size

10 metres of running wall



Sailing ship Captain and his dog, 1910s, Samuel J Hood Studio, Australian National Maritime Museum Collection.

Supporting materials

Marketing templates

Visitation

50,000 Sydney

Previously exhibited

- Australian National Maritime Museum, Sydney Australia
- Lake Macquarie City Council, Lake Macquarie, Australia

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