

26th Annual International Submerged Lands Management Conference

USS Monitor: Discovery and Preservation

Speaker: Jeff Johnston

Abstract: The *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary was established to preserve and protect the wreck site of the Civil War ironclad USS *Monitor*. Jeff will provide an overview of the history, recovery, preservation and conservation aspects which have taken place at the site since sanctuary designation in 1975.

Speaker Information: Jeff Johnston is a Program Specialist who has worked with the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary since 1995. Jeff serves as the Sanctuary historian and has over 20 years experience specializing in the fields of maritime and Civil War history. Jeff served as one of the archaeological team leaders for NOAA on *Monitor* during the recovery years and continues to work with private research groups to fulfill NOAA's efforts to preserve the USS *Monitor*.