

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum (AAHOM), the NOAA **Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory, NOAA** Great Lakes Sea Grant Network, NOAA Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary (Alpena, MI), and the State of Explore and Enjoy Our Heritage Michigan designed and fabricated a traveling hands-on

exhibit to educate visitors about Great Lakes science and maritime heritage. The exhibit, funded in part by the NOAA Preserve America program, features historic NOAA assets and highlights NOAA's role in the Great Lakes.



waterlife through a microscope.

in Alpena, Michigan.



The exhibit opened October 2010 at the AAHOM.

The Museum is a regional destination attracting

technology. In May 2011, the exhibit will move to

the NOAA Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center

over 200,000 visitors every year. The mission

of the Museum is to inspire young people to

discover the wonder of science, math, and







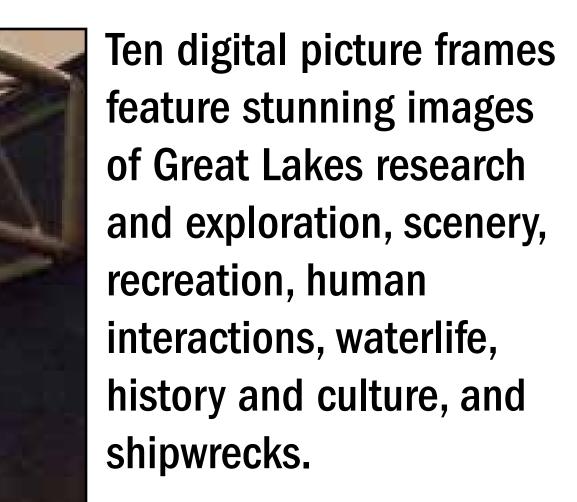


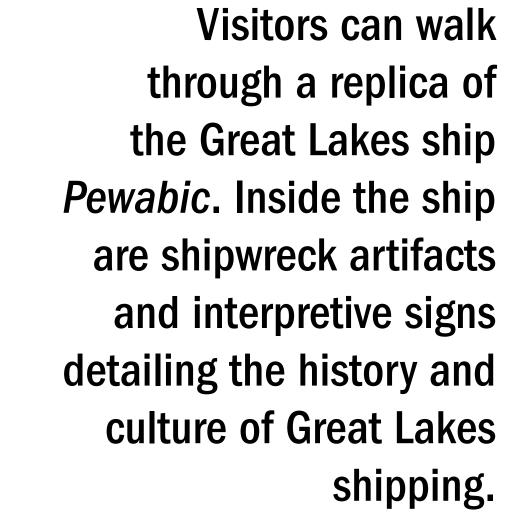
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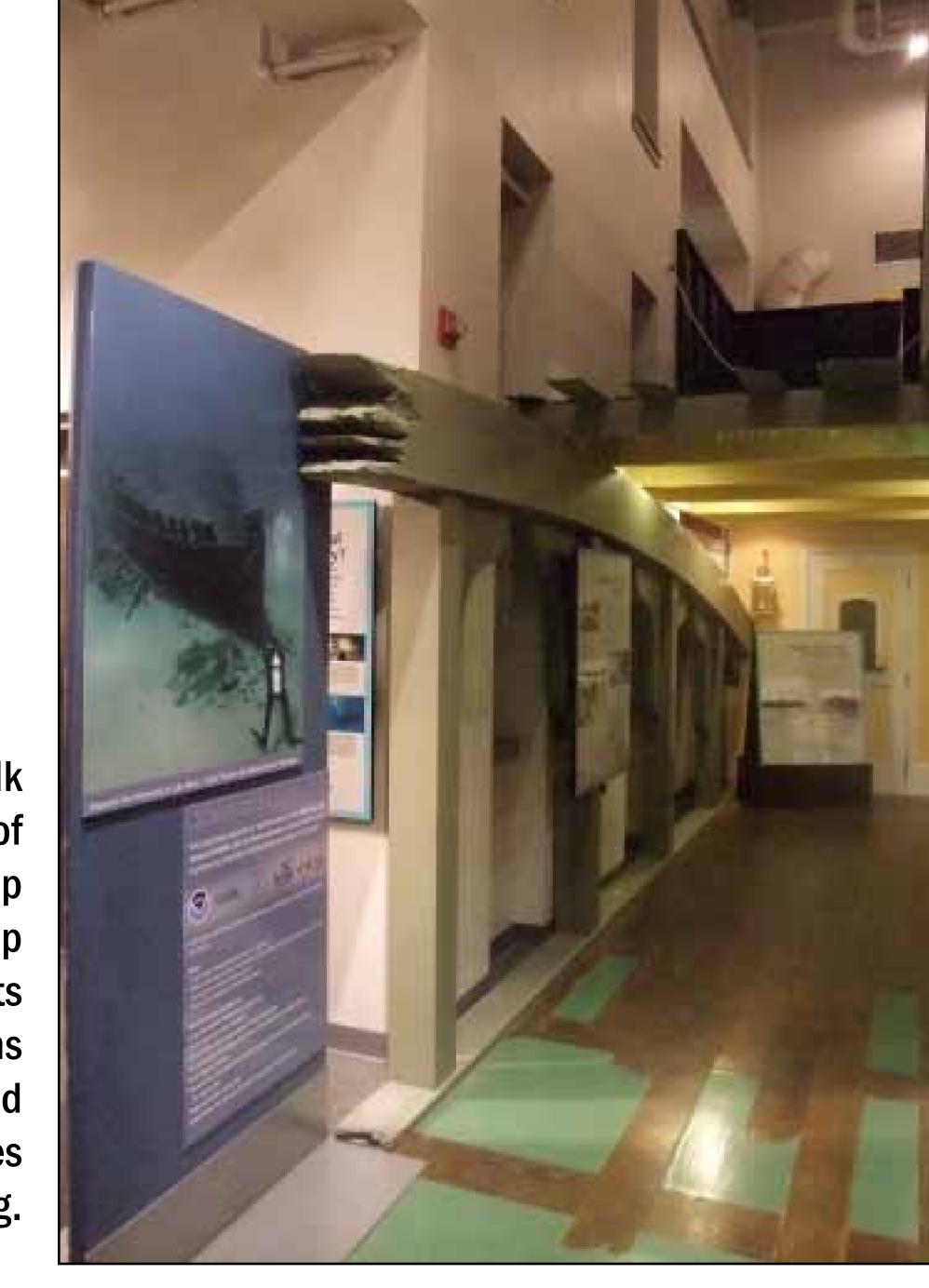


Using 3-D glasses, visitors explore a 3-D map of Lakes Huron and Michigan highlighting the bathymetry of the Great Lakes. (Check out an example in the Lake Superior Conference Room.

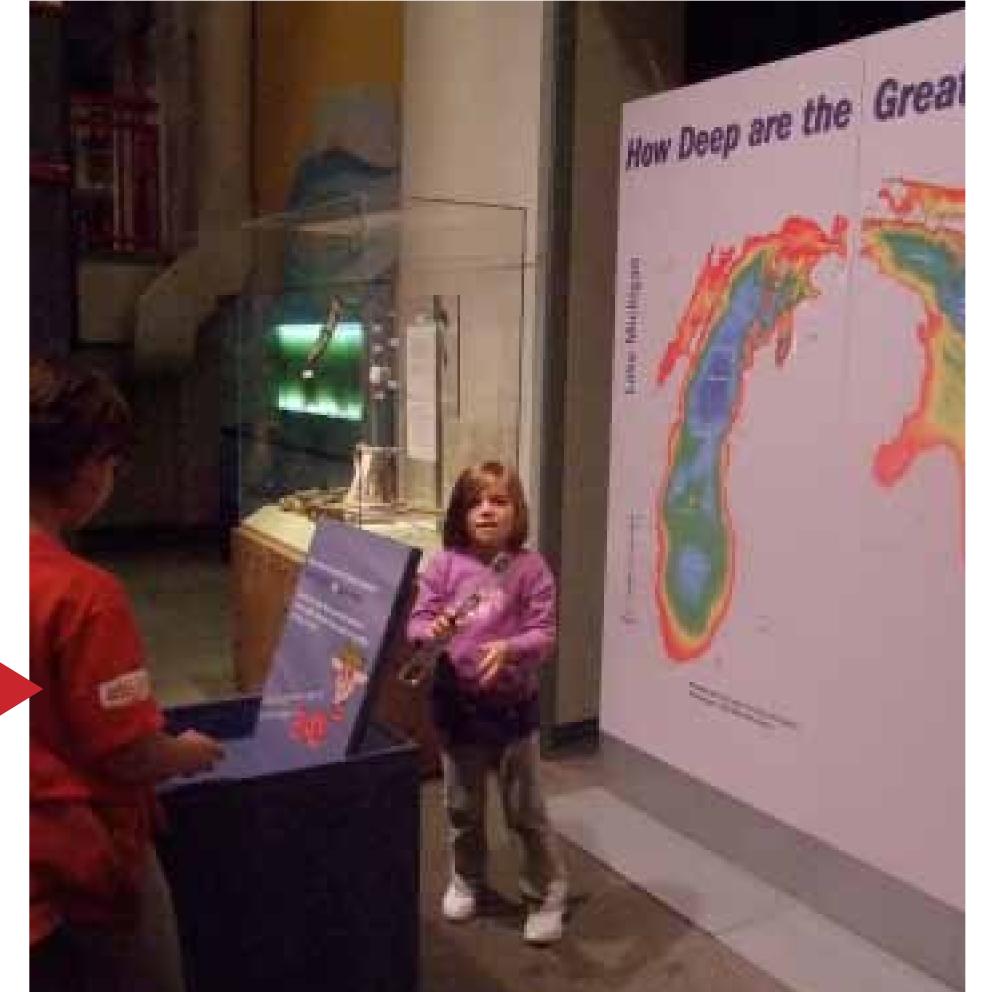








This display explains







Visitors can watch an animation about Great Lakes water depths.

the Thunder Bay **National Marine Sanctuary broadcast** a live webcast from the shipwreck Montana to the **AAHOM** and three other sites around the country. Viewers could ask questions of the divers as they explored the

