



# River Ramblings 2023



## Steamer CAPE GIRARDEAU - A 100-year retrospective

Learn how the last Howard-built packet became America's first dedicated overnight tourist steamboat. This event will feature a presentation on the CAPE GIRARDEAU (built in 1923) and follow her history from the Eagle Packet Company through her conversion into an overnight tourist boat by Greene Line Steamers of Cincinnati, OH, her replacement by the DELTA QUEEN and her last days in St. Louis as a floating restaurant. This will be followed by a round table discussion of how she influenced the inland rivers tourism business today.

**Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 3:00pm**

**in the Carriage House of the Howard Steamboat Museum**

**Optional Lunch and Sightseeing cruise available prior to the event aboard the Str. BELLE OF LOUISVILLE at an additional charge. To book this opportunity contact Belle of Louisville Riverboats at (502) 574-2992 or book online at [www.belleoflouisville.org](http://www.belleoflouisville.org)**

**Presentation and Moderation by Christian Thomas**

**Featuring the insights of: Former DELTA QUEEN Purser, Jimmy Reising, Captains from the overnight riverboat industry, and former "Riverlorian" on overnight boats, Travis C. Vasconcelos.**

**\$5.00 suggested donation**