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# A Genius at His Trade: C. Raymond Hunt and His Remarkable Boats

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The New Bedford Whaling Museum and Tilbury House are partnering to publish the longawaited biography of legendary yacht designer and racing sailor C. Raymond Hunt. This is the first book-length biography of the American yacht designer and racing sailor whose skill at the helm and skill at the drawing board made him a legend in his own time.

Today, 37 years after his death at age 70 in 1978, Hunt is recognized as one of the most influential yacht designers of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. His most enduring designs, the Concordia Yawl and the original Boston Whaler, are recognized as classics of form and function. His development of the deep-V hull, on which he briefly held a patent, was the basis for all high-speed, mono-hull powerboats that followed. As a racing sailor, Hunt had few, if any equals. He had a special touch at the helm, and an inborn ability to sniff the breeze and determine when and where the next shift would come. This is the life story of an unconventional man who did things his way, whose path took him from the shallow waters of Duxbury Bay to the world's most competitive yacht racing venues. In his wake, he left an enduring legacy. His design philosophy of thinking "outside the box" continues in the firm that bears his name: Hunt Associates of New Bedford, Massachusetts.

**About the Author:** Writer and historian Stan Grayson is widely recognized for his devotion to the history of American yachting and small craft, his careful research, and his story telling skills. He is the author of numerous books and articles and is a regular contributor to *WoodenBoat* magazine.





### **Quick Facts:**

- The title is A Genius at His Trade: C Raymond Hunt and His Remarkable Boats; From the Concordia Yawl to the Boston Whaler and Deep-V Powerboats
- Stan Grayson is the author, with a foreword by Llewellyn Howland III
- Anticipated release date of October, 2015
- Approximately 304 pages
- Smyth Sewn cloth binding with gold foil stamp on spine
- 150 photographs and drawings sourced from the Fortier Collection, Rosenfeld Collection, Mystic Ships Plans, Hart Nautical Museum, Beken of Cowes, AP, and the Hunt Family Collection
- Proceeds will benefit the New Bedford Whaling Museum
- Tilbury House is distributor of the book
- Pre-order special edition copies are now offered to help underwrite the project
- Sponsors at or above \$1,000 will be listed on the benefactor page of the book

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