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Living shoreline ceremony scheduled

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ST. MICHAELS The Chesapeake Bay Foundation and the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum will hold a ceremony at noon Saturday, April 18 at the museum to announce a new living shoreline restoration project that will be dedicated to Kennedy Fitzgerald.

Fitzgerald, his sister, Maggie, and his girlfriend, Christine Maier, died in a fire at the Fitzgeralds' home in August 2007.

Chesapeake Bay Foundation President William Baker, Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum President Stuart Parnes and Kennedy's parents, Matt and Peg Fitzgerald, will speak at the site and be joined by funders, local elected officials, and friends as they open the new marsh by planting some grasses.

CBMM's living shoreline is just down river from the Fitzgeralds' home and is intended to educate museum visitors while helping improve habitat for the river that he loved. The project is funded in part by the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the National Fish and Wildlife Service.

Kennedy's former employer, Environmental Concern, is now doing the construction and on June 18, the community along with Kennedy's friends, family, and volunteers can return to plant the shrubs and grasses.

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