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GLOUCESTER'S SEA SERPENT LECTURE FINDING AID & TRANSCRIPT

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Video Description

Wayne Soini tells the story of the local legend known as the Gloucester sea serpent. The initial famed sighting took place in 1817. From that first faithful glance, the small blue-collar fishing town was put in the forefront of American intellectual research and scientific discovery. The sighting went so far as to entice the Linnean Society to come and further investigate the phenomenon to try and confirm or deny its existence.

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Soini delves into the themes of his recent book, which centers on the people of politics during the sighting in Gloucester Harbor. The “Sea Serpent Song” (written by Soini) was sung with the audience.

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