

## In One Ear: Eye on the waterfront

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Love a waterfront view? Well, thanks to the [Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce](#) coordinating with EarthCam and the [Columbia River Maritime Museum](#), one of [EarthCam's America 250](#) initiative cameras has been placed atop the maritime museum, and it's now working. You can watch it at [TravelAstoria.com](#).

"Beyond showcasing the beauty of the region," a blurb says, "the camera will help highlight Astoria, and Oregon's North Coast as a destination, while supporting local tourism and businesses." And, the view is, indeed, magnificent. You can see the Columbia Lightship, and the docks near the museum, and the Astoria Bridge in the background.

You can watch all sorts of marine traffic coming and going, including Coast Guard boats, ships, tugboats and fishing boats. If you time it right, using [tinyurl.com/AstShipLoc](#), you can look outside the Columbia River Bar, see which ships are coming in, and catch one going under the bridge.