

Presenting at Herman's 200th

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A lifesize cutout of Herman Melville presided over the dinner guests at [Hudson Hall's](#) Proprietors Ball on Saturday, May 4, 2019. This being the 200th anniversary of the author's birth — and given Hudson's whaling origins — Hudson Hall will be presenting a series under the rubric "Hudson's Merchants and Whalers." Among the presenters of the evening were Allan Melville Chapin, Melville's great-great grandson (who lives nearby) and cousins. Later, guests went silent during a riveting excerpt from "Moby-Dick" by acclaimed Irish actor Conor Lovett.