

'Anchored in Snug Harbor,' an image taken on the west side of Cook Inlet during Patrick Dixon's more than two decades as a commercial fisherman.

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## Dixon finds community among FisherPoets

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In the darkest depths of a cold Alaskan night, after a series of unfathomable blunders, the steel hull of the Exxon Valdez came to rest upon the rocky shoulders of Bligh Reef. The ship's grounding unleashed a swath of destruction. Over 10 million gallons of oil coated the biological and economic riches of Prince William

The shipwreck also sparked a creative fire in the heart of fisherman and poet Patrick Dixon.

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