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Lake Union Boats Afloat Show Includes Many New Brands and New Model Debuts

SEATTLE – The Lake Union Boats Afloat Show sails into town on Wednesday Sept. 16th and the docks will be packed with more than 220 boats from approximately 125 exhibitors. This year the boats on display are built from as close to Seattle as Bremerton and as far away as Italy and Australia. From the debut of a line of a sexy Italian RIB boats, to hull #1 of a locally-designed pontoon boat to many Pacific Northwest sailboat debuts, the Lake Union Boats Afloat show promises once again it is a not-to-be-missed event that should be on every boater and would-be boater's calendar.

More than four dozen shore side exhibitors with professional services from marine finance and insurance to electronics, marinas, shipping, yacht linens and yacht maintenance will also exhibit at the show.

The show gets underway at 11 am on Wednesday Sept. 16th and continues through 6pm on Sunday 20th, 2015.

The show website – www.boatsafloatshow.com - is updated continuously and is the best resource for the latest news on exhibitors, promotions and boat brands and models. As sneak peak of exhibitors includes:

Boats of Note: Power

Making its premier debut is hull #1 of the **EcoCruiser**, representing a brand new style of pontoon cruising and featuring two low profile cabins, standing headroom, a private head and tons of storage. It sleeps four, is half the weight, cost, and fuel usage of other trailerable power cruisers and can be towed by a mid-sized SUV. Exhibitor: **Eco Cruiser**

The **2015 Fleming 65 Pilothouse Motoryacht** showcases the latest in Integrated hard top, MAN diesels, Charles System power management, Boning System technology, Sea Torque shaft drive, Giangaeshi water flow and purification and numerous other Fleming-specific technologies. She also features an induction cooktop, dishwasher, washer/dryer, three luxurious staterooms each with en suite and a day head. Exhibitor: **Chuck Hovey Yachts**

Participating in the show for the first time, Bremerton-based **Life Proof Boats** will have six models on display from a 20 foot Cuddy to a 30 foot Cabin Boat which will all feature new technologies such as their vented tunnel hull designs. All their boats also feature self-bailing decks, shock mitigated seating, and their new patented foam/ air collars for unmatched stability and redundant flotation. Exhibitor: **Inventech Marine Solutions**

LOMAC has been producing rigid inflatable boats (RIB) in Milan, Italy since 1960 and produces more than 58 models. They have selected the Boats Afloat Show for the US debut of their boats. The top of the line **LOMAC Adrenalina 9.5** meter will be on display in the water. It will be equipped with twin Yamaha 300 HP outboards and can perform at speeds in excess of 60 MPH. Exhibitor: **Crow's Nest Yachts**

34 Ocean Sport Roamer: the largest model in the Ocean Sport brand, the Roamer also has the most powerful engines (twin Volvo Penta D6's with 370 hp) of the Ocean Sport brand. This pristine 2011 is fully loaded and upgraded with features like night vision and includes a generator. Exhibitor: **Inside Passage Yacht Sales**

From Australia's largest luxury boat builder comes the West Coast debut of **2016 Riviera 6000 Sport Yacht**. She features a Presidential Suite Layout with a full beam master cabin and two additional staterooms and is powered by Twin Volvo IPS 950 Diesel (533kw/725hp) twin lever electronic controls and joystick controls. Exhibitor: **Emerald Pacific Yachts:**

The **Selene 50 Europa** features a custom designed walk around forward master stateroom as well as a thoughtful and elegant three stateroom layout with the classic teak finishings that Selenes are known for. Exhibitor: **Selene Yachts Northwest**

Boats of Note: Sail

Making a Pacific Northwest debut, is the **Beneteau Oceanis 48**, featuring three staterooms and two heads with a luxurious clear shower stall in the forward stateroom with separate enclosed toilet and vanity. The **2016 Beneteau First 35 Carbon Edition** features a carbon mast by Hall Spars and a retractable carbon bow sprit. The rocking wheel on the First 35 frees up space between the stern of the boat and the cockpit without weighing the boat down with a second helm station. Exhibitor: **Signature Yachts**

The **Blue Jacket 40** was *Cruising World's* 2014 Boat of the Year in two categories: Best Domestic Boat of the Year and Best Midsize Cruiser 39-41 feet. It is 'a wonderful combination of a really nice cruising boat design with a really good solid build,' according to one of the judges. Exhibitor: **Marine Service Center**

The **Island Packet 360** is designed with a Full Foil Keel, which provides a combination of seakeeping, safety, strength, stability, performance and moderate draft. *Blue Water Cruising* magazine says, "If you are looking for a handy, mid-size blue water boat that is also a lot of fun to sail, the new 360 should definitely be on your list." Exhibitor: **Marine Service Center**

Making a West Coast debut is the **Jeanneau 519**, the new flagship of the Jeanneau product range. Also on display will be a **Jeanneau 469** performance version, featuring diaform standing rigging, dyenama running rigging, performance sails, folding prop and more; a **Jeanneau 44 Deck Salon** with unique three-cabin layout layout with side bunk room, perfect for families; and a **Jeanneau 349**, *Cruising World's* 2015 Best Import Boat of the Year and Best Pocket Cruiser. Exhibitor: **Marine Service Center**

Also making a Pacific Northwest debut is a **Moody Deck Salon 45**. Three cabins, two heads, excellent sailing qualities, strong construction and visibility are just the beginning of the impressive list of features on this boat. The 'one level living' concept – with a 360 degree view from the living area and the spacious cockpit all on the same level – is a unique approach in modern yacht design. Exhibitor: **JK3 Yachts**

The 2008 “Mazu” – an **Outbound Yachts 46** – is turnkey and completely offshore equipped. Outbound Yachts are capable, smart, and have come to be known as the ultimate in an offshore mono hull blue water cruiser. Exhibitor: **Swiftsure Yachts**

For new sailors or those wanting to improve their skills there are special packages for lessons and anchoring and docking clinics run by Seattle Sailing Club:

<http://www.boatsafloatshow.com/sailing-lessons.htm>

All you need to know

What: South Lake Union Boats Afloat Show

When: Wednesday September 16th – Sunday September 20th, 2015

Hours: Weekdays 11am – 7pm
Weekends 10am – 6pm

Where: South Lake Union in Seattle

Tickets: Buy your tickets online at www.boatsafloatshow.com

\$12 for adults / \$5 for kids 12-17 (kids under 11 are free).

\$18 for a multi-day pass.

Weekdays 5-7 pm: \$6

Adult sailing lesson package: \$50 Intro-to-Sailing ticket includes 2-day admission, 1.5 hour seminar and 1.5 hour on-water sailing lesson.

Buy your tickets online and receive a one year’s subscription to Sea Magazine, \$10 Gift Card to El Chupacabra restaurant at South Lake Union and a free paddleboard or kayak rental from Mt. to Sound Outfitters.

Getting

There: Parking lots are limited near the show. For convenience park downtown and take the Seattle Street Car directly to the show on South Lake Union. Check out www.BoatsAfloatShow.com for parking maps, discounts and directions.

Show

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Show photos available at: <http://www.boatsafloatshow.com/gallery.htm>

Photos of individual boats available on request.

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