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Oceans of Nautical Fun for Little Mariners at Seattle Boat Show Complimentary activities include participating in Guinness World Record attempt, toy boat building, aqua paddlers, scavenger hunt, test trampoline, nautical photo

booth and more

SEATTLE – From stand-up paddleboards to superyachts and everything in between, there's lots for all the boaters in the family to take in at the Seattle Boat Show. But the show is not just for mom and dad to shop for the boat of their dreams or attend one of 200+ free seminars. There's also a special Kids Zone at the indoor location at CenturyLink Field Event Center with tons of free activities for kids of all ages. On the water at South Lake Union there are free boat rides and a chowder cook-off.

The show drops anchor on Friday, Jan. 27 and sails on through Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017. The show's not the only thing that's family-friendly, so is the price! Kids under 11 are free, youth 11-17 get in for \$5, and there are many online ticket packages with bonuses such as \$3 weekend parking (compliments of BECU) and one-year magazine subscriptions at www.SeattleBoatShow.com.

Guinness World Record Attempt for Largest Display of Origami Fish

This year the Seattle Boat Show will be attempting to set a Guinness World Record for the most origami fish on display and anyone gets to participate. Families can make it a fun activity to do together at home by following these detailed <u>printable instructions</u> or watching this <u>video</u>. When they come to the show they can drop their fish off at the Information Booth (W-56), see the fish created by students at Bellevue Children's Academy and Willows Preparatory School, and check on the progress towards the goal of 1,500 fish. Or, while at the show pick up some origami paper and make origami fish onsite.

Kids Zone at CenturyLink Field Event Center

Aqua Paddlers: Kids can enjoy time on the water using the Aqua Paddler paddle boats. Life jackets will be provided. (Daily)

Toy Boat Building: Using traditional tools supplied by <u>The Center for Wooden Boats</u>, kids can build and decorate their own wooden boat. (Monday – Friday 4 - 8 p.m.; Saturday(s) 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

Beach Camp Fun and Photo Booth: Join the staff of <u>Beach Camp at Sunset Bay</u> for sandcastle building, wakesurf balance boarding and fun photos at the Beach Camp Photo Booth. Life size cutouts, crazy costumes, fun hats and more will be provided so kids and families can dress up in their favorite beach gear, as a sea creature, or whatever they fancy, and create a special Seattle Boat Show memory. (Daily)

Scavenger Hunt: Kids who collect just three stickers at participating companies throughout the show will win a beach ball. It's a great way for mom and dad to be able to walk the entire show and at the same time keep the kids entertained. (Daily)

Wakeboard Trampoline Tricks and Demos: Professional wakeboarders will be demonstrating cool tricks such as whirlybirds, 720s, grabs, glides and other impressive moves on a 13'x13' Springfree trampoline. When not being used for demos, kids and adults alike can test jump on the world's safest trampoline. (Fridays, Saturdays and Sunday)

South Lake Union

Free Boat Rides for Parents and Kids on an All-Electric Boat

The 20-minute guided tours in all electric 21' enclosed, heated Duffy boats will point out fun facts about South Lake Union and the unique qualities of the spectacular yachts in the show. It's a great way to see the show from a new perspective. Blankets are provided for an added snuggle factor. (Daily)

Chowder Chomp

Six of Seattle's elite seafood restaurants will be coming together Saturday and Sunday Jan. 28 and 29 to battle it out for the title of Best Boat Show Chowder. Showgoers will enjoy free samples of delicious chowders from Pike Place Chowder, Ivar's, Seattle Fish Co., Bar Harbor, Flying Fish and McCormick & Schmick's and then can vote for their favorite. The Seattle Boat Show will donate \$2,500 on behalf of the winning restaurant to the non-profit, Salmon for Soldiers. (Jan. 28 and 29.)

About the Seattle Boat Show: Friday Jan. 27 - Saturday Feb. 4, 2017.

The show features two locations, 1,000 recreational watercraft and more than 400 exhibitors. There are more than three acres of the latest innovations and accessories, technology and boating gear on display indoors, plus 100 world-class yachts in their natural habitat on South Lake Union. A free shuttle runs between both locations. There are more than 200 free seminars during the nine days of the show and advanced training classes for a fee through Boat Show University.

For a complete list of exhibitors, seminars, travel package and ticket prices, please visit www.SeattleBoatShow.com. Purchase tickets online and receive \$3 weekend parking compliments of BECU.

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