



Seattle Boat Show Seminar Line-Up Finalized

Something for every kind of boater and all skill levels, from rules of the road to advanced anchoring; from boat handling how-to's for couples to the single girl's DIY guide to cruising the Inside Passage

SEATTLE – December 4, 2019 – One of the most popular features at the [Seattle Boat Show](#) is the extensive line-up of free boating and fishing seminars and advanced training classes for a fee through Boat Show University. No other show in North America matches the Seattle seminar schedule in terms of the quality, variety and number of seminars offered. At the January 2020 show there will more than 200 free seminars – 160 boating seminars and 77 fishing and crabbing seminars. This year's line-up offers something for everyone, including hundreds of topics for those who have never attended a seminar and dozens of new presenters and topics for those who are looking for new content.

All seminars take place at CenturyLink Field Event Center. The complete schedule of seminars can be found at www.SeattleBoatShow.com/seminars. It is searchable by type, topic, date, stage and key word, making it easy for attendees to research and plan their show visits. For those attending seminars on two or more days, a 9-day pass for \$30 offers the best ticketing value.

The show, with two locations — indoors at CenturyLink Field Event Center and afloat at South Lake Union — opens Friday, Jan. 24 and runs through Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020 with a free shuttle running between both locations.

Boating Seminars

With 160 free boating seminars, 60 presenters — including 14 new ones — and more than 20 new topics, the breadth and depth of expertise that attendees can tap into is unparalleled.

New topics for 2020 include:

- 20 Ways to Enjoy Catamaran Cruising (and 10 Ways Not to)
- Planning Ahead for a Safe Boating Trip Using the NANOOS Boaters Application
- Coastal Winds: Sea Breezes, Cold Air Outflows, Corner Effect, Dirty Air, and More!

- International Couples Cruising on \$60/day (for Everything!)
- The Single Girl's DIY Guide to Cruising the Inside Passage
- Cruising with Your Canine Companions
- Chartering in Croatia
- Conquering Your Cruising Fears
- Kick the Kayak! The Benefits of Adding a SUP to Your Toy Collection

Fishing and Crabbing Seminars

There is no better way for an angler to improve his or her success on the water than investing in an hour or two at one of the show's 77 fishing and crabbing seminars. For 2020 there are 15 presenters, five of whom are new, and a wide variety of new topics, not just from the new speakers but many veteran speakers are presenting new content.

Of particular note is the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Q&A Session on Saturday Jan. 25th. WDFW Region 6 Director Larry Phillips and staff members will host a Q&A session on all things fishing/hunting, killer whale issues, salmon season setting issues, licensing, the WDFW budget and more.

Boat Show University

Boat Show University once again will be offering three-hour seminars for \$55 and all-day courses for \$149.

Highlights include:

- Boating maintenance expert Nigel Calder on diesel engine and electrical troubleshooting.
- Local weather expert Bruce Hedrick sharing his secrets on how to interpret the weather.
- Two Harborview emergency nurses and live-aboard cruisers sharing their practical information on how the captain can provide medical assistance in case of an emergency and even more practical problems like sea sickness, sunburns and bee stings that can impact a cruise.
- Waggoner Cruising Guide editors Mark Bunzel and Leonard and Lorena Landon providing information on planning cruises in the San Juan Islands and up the Inside Passage to Southeast Alaska.
- The Boat Doctor, Mike Beemer, on troubleshooting and adding the right gear to your boat.
- Women's Day on Monday, January 27th, will feature Captains Linda Lewis and Margaret Pommert presenting their popular course 101 Practical Tips for Safe and Fun Cruising.

About the Seattle Boat Show

The show features two locations, 1,000 recreational vessels and more than 400 exhibitors. There are more than three acres of the latest innovations in accessories, technology and boating gear on display indoors, plus hundreds of world-class yachts on the water at South Lake Union. A free shuttle runs continuously between both locations.

For a complete list of exhibitors, hours, seminars, travel packages and ticket prices, please visit www.SeattleBoatShow.com

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