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## **Rows, Rows, Rows of Boats... Seattle's Lake Union Boats Afloat Show Opens Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

SEATTLE— Seattle's 36th annual Lake Union Boats Afloat Show gets underway on Wednesday September 10<sup>th</sup> and continues through Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014. It brings you all the best of boating in one place on beautiful South Lake Union, in sunny September. The show is open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekends.

### **More boats, more styles, more fun**

At the show you'll find there's a boat for every budget, activity and lifestyle. From sport boats to sailboats, trawlers to mega yachts and everything in between, the West Coast's largest floating boat show has it all. More than 50 distinct brands of yachts and brokers and dealers from Washington, Oregon, California, Florida and British Columbia, Canada will display their boats. 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.

### **Boats of Note: Power**

**Aspen Power Catamarans** (<http://www.aspenpowercatamarans.com/>). Aspen will be displaying the **C100 32-foot** production boat that recently completed a circumnavigation of Vancouver Island non-stop, unrefueled. The father/son Aspen team completed the 641-mile (1,068-kilometer) challenge in 47 hours, 5 minutes, on 267 gallons (1,009 liters) of fuel. The boat averaged 13.61 knots using a very miserly 5.6 gallons per hour at cruise speed for the trip.

**Coastal Craft Boats** (<http://coastalcraft.com/>) will be debuting their newest and largest yacht, the **65' Concord**. "It's only 65 feet long but from a distance it looks more like a 100-footer. Combine that with its many luxury features, aluminium construction, high performance and its advanced technology, the Concord is unlike anything in its size range and deserves designation as a mini-mega yacht," according to Peter Robson, Pacific Yachting, July 2014.

**Stan Miller Yachts in Seattle** (<http://stanmilleryachts.com/>), formerly Grand Banks Northwest, will be showing the **Grand Banks 43 Heritage EU** which features a roomy two stateroom, two head layout, with an expanded galley and more storage over her predecessor. A nifty utility room in the center of the boat boasts a dedicated freezer and impressive storage space, and is plumbed for a combo washer/dryer. Additional enhancements over the 41EU include a larger cockpit and flybridge.

**Hampton Yacht Group** ([www.hamptonyachts.com](http://www.hamptonyachts.com)) will have a **Maritimo M50** and an **Endurance 658** on display.

The **M50** is the first Full Beam Master stateroom model for Maritimo with the less costly straight drive system verses the Pod drives found on other boats. This gives better performance and less cost of upkeep.

The **E658** offers a wide 18' beam with four staterooms, four heads and full beam master suite. The yacht is adorned in handcrafted satin finished raised panel cherry with select custom furnishings provided by Pacific Custom Interiors. This is a US debut for the boat.

**Islands Marine Center** ([www.islandsmarinecenter.com](http://www.islandsmarinecenter.com)) will be showing an **Ocean Sport Legacy 26**. The Legacy 26 will be offered with gas or diesel power packages, including both sterndrive and outboard options. The vessel is highly customizable and can be built to suit the needs of cruisers and anglers alike.

**Kadey Krogan** ([www.kadeykrogan.com](http://www.kadeykrogan.com)) will have a **48'AE** (Advanced Ergonomics) on display. This particular boat was completed and delivered this year to an owner who has published two cookbooks based on her cruising and culinary expertise. The expanded galley includes a four-burner Viking range and a nearly floor-to-ceiling pantry – a gourmet cook's dream. Also on display will be a **Krogen 44' AE**. The new Krogen 44' AE and has more than 50 ergonomic and technical changes that differentiate her predecessor, the Krogen 44. Including a full walk-thru cockpit boarding doors, walk-in engine room access and an available companion seat next to the helm chair on the flybridge

**Lake Union Sea Ray** (<http://www.lakeunionsearay.com/>) plans to show the new Sea Ray 510DA. This will be a Northwest debut for the boat which is a winner of the AIM Media Group Editor's Choice Award. The 510 Sundancer features large hull windows and two retractable sunroofs and a pivoting double helm seat for enhanced sociability.

**Northwest Yachtnet** ([www.nwyachtnet.com](http://www.nwyachtnet.com)) will be displaying a **2005 459 Meridian Cockpit Motoryacht**. What sets this yacht apart is the custom made Hardtop with Lexan enclosure. This option transforms the heated bridge into an amazing pilothouse.

**Outer Reef** ([www.outerreefyachts.com](http://www.outerreefyachts.com)) will be showcasing a 70' Yacht called 'DoGo'S Hideout'. Compared to the Outer Reef 650, the 700 is built with an extra three feet in the salon, allowing for an optional staircase leading directly to the crew stateroom and engine room. An enormous lazarette provides the cruising owner with a very large storage area needed for provisions, spares and many other cruising necessities.

## Boats of Note: Sail

**Marine Service Center** (<http://marinesc.com/>) will have a **Jeanneau 349** on display. All-new from Jeanneau, and a Pacific Northwest debut, the 349 features a twin wheel cockpit in a 34' entry level sailboat with twin rudders as well. The interior is big and roomy with amenities thanks to a unique reverse sheer. It has great sailing performance, and an affordable price, all in a package under 35'.

**Specialty Yachts** (<http://www.specialtyyachts.com/>) was recently named the new Marlow Hunter and Marlow Mainship dealer for Washington State. They will be introducing David Marlow's first new model, the Marlow Mainship 32. The Marlow Mainship 32 has an overall length of 36' 8" and comes in two layouts with sleeping accommodations offered for three to five people. Also on display will be the **Mainship 37**, the second model to come on the market under the new Marlow Mainship Company.

Additionally, Specialty will be displaying a **Marlow Hunter 40** and the **Hunter 50**. The new Hunter 40 was launched on Hunter's fortieth anniversary. She has dual helm control, fold-down transom, chined hull and dual heads. Driving the Hunter 50's hull is a specially engineered sail plan that

achieves maximum efficiency while maintaining the Hunter trademark of single-handed sail-ability, which is a great feature for a boat of this size.

## Attractions and promotions

And if that weren't enough to entice you, attractions include:

- Center for Wooden Boats kids toy boat building Saturday and Sunday, courtesy Banner Bank
- Kids free sailing lessons, Saturday and Sunday, courtesy Sail Sand Point
- Free sailboat rides every day courtesy of Discover Sailing
- Adult sailboat lessons daily, courtesy Seattle Sailing Club

## All you need to know

**What:** South Lake Union Boats Afloat Show

**When:** Wednesday September 10<sup>th</sup> – Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014

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

**Where:** South Lake Union in Seattle

### Tickets go on sale on August 10:

Buy your tickets online and receive 1 year Boat U.S. membership and a free appetizer at Nouvilhos Brazilian Steakhouse at Chandler's Cove.

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

\$18 for a multi-day pass.

Weekdays 5-7 pm: \$6

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

e-Tickets can be purchased at [www.BoatsAfloatShow.com](http://www.BoatsAfloatShow.com)

### 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](http://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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