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meet the sailors &
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Pier 66, Pier 69 and Pier 90



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FLEET
WEEK
AND BOEING
MARITIME CELEBRATION**

JULY 29-AUGUST 2, 2015
**SEATTLE
WATERFRONT**

FLEET WEEK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

1:45 p.m. – Parade of Ships
2:30 p.m. – Elliott Bay & Seattle Waterfront Navy Band Performance Pier 66

THURSDAY, JULY 30 – SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Ship Tours Pier 66 & 69

12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Ship Tours Pier 90

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Ship Tours Pier 66, 69 & 90

THE SHIPS

U.S. Navy: Amphibious Assault Ship USS Boxer (LHD 4) – Pier 90

USS Boxer stretches 844 feet in length and is the largest of all amphibious warfare ships; resembling a small aircraft carrier. The ship is not only capable of conducting aircraft operations but it also capable of supporting watercraft operations in its well deck. This class of ship provides the Marine Corps with a means of ship-to-shore movement by helicopter in addition to movement by landing craft. LHDs, like Boxer, have been participants in major humanitarian-assistance, occupation and combat operations in which the United States has been involved.

Guided-Missile Destroyer USS Gridley (DDG 101) – Pier 66

USS Gridley returned home to San Diego from a nearly 10-month deployment to the U.S. 5th and 7th Fleet areas of operations on June 4th. The ship and her 300 sailors were part of the Carl Vinson Carrier Strike Group throughout the deployment. Guided missile destroyers are multi-mission; Anti-Air Warfare, Anti-Submarine Warfare, and Anti-Surface Warfare surface combatants. The destroyer's armament has greatly expanded the role of the ship in strike warfare utilizing the MK-41 Vertical Launch System.

Guided-Missile Destroyer USS Dewey (DDG 105) – Pier 66

USS Dewey, along with USS Gridley, also returned home to San Diego from a nearly 10-month deployment to the U.S. 5th and 7th Fleet areas of operations on June 4th. As an integral part of the Carl Vinson Carrier Strike Group they, along with USS Gridley, provided support to

THE SHIPS *cont.*

strike operations in Iraq and Syria. They also participated in exercise Valiant Shield, a nine-day joint air, land and sea cooperation training between the U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Army in waters near Guam and a bi-lateral training event with Malaysian military air and surface units.

U.S. Coast Guard: USCGC Midgett (WHEC 726)- Pier 66

USCGC Midgett is a 378 foot high-endurance cutter homeported in Seattle. It is designed to perform each of the U.S. Coast Guard's missions, which include search and rescue, homeland security operations, law enforcement and environmental protection, home-land security operations, law enforcement and environmental protection from as far north as the Bering Sea and as far south as Columbia.

Royal Canadian Navy: HMCS Vancouver – Pier 90

HMCS Vancouver is a 440 ft Halifax-class multi-purpose frigate serving as part of Canadian Fleet Pacific of the Royal Canadian Navy. She was commissioned in August of 1993 as the second vessel of her class. She is currently based at CFB Esquimalt on the west coast of Canada and recently completed an 18 month mid-life upgrading and modernization. She is the third vessel to be named after the city of Vancouver, British Columbia.

HMCS Whitehorse – Pier 69

HMCS Whitehorse is one of 12 Kingston-class coastal defence vessels serving in the Royal Canadian Navy. Whitehorse is the sixth ship of her class and was commissioned in 1997 as part of the Maritime Coastal Defence Vessel Project. She is homeported in Esquimalt, British Columbia with her sister ship, HMCS Brandon.

HMCS Brandon – Pier 69

HMCS Brandon is one of 12 Kingston-class coastal defence vessels serving in the Royal Canadian Navy. She was commissioned in 1998 and is homeported in Esquimalt, British Columbia. She has an overall length of 181 ft. and displaces 970 tonnes.

Parade of Ships Finale

Coast Guard Search & Rescue Demonstration MH-65D Search and Rescue, or SAR, is one of the U.S. Coast Guard's oldest missions. At the Parade of Ships, the U.S. Coast Guard will demonstrate how they minimize the loss of life and injury by rendering aid to persons in distress in the maritime environment.



FLEET WEEK SPONSORS

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SHIP TOURS

Take advantage of the opportunity to tour incredible U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard and Royal Canadian Navy ships participating in Seafair Fleet Week.

Pier 66

U.S. Navy:
Guided-Missile Destroyer USS Gridley (DDG 101)
Guided-Missile Destroyer USS Dewey (DDG 105)
U.S. Coast Guard:
High-Endurance Cutter USCGC Midgett

Thursday, July 30 - Saturday, August 1
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Sunday, August 2
12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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Royal Canadian Navy:
HMCS Vancouver
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**Ship tours are FREE to the public!*

Public tours will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Safety Notes

- Please note that the ships are not handicap accessible – you must be in good physical condition to navigate the stairs and ladders
- Cameras are permitted
- No smoking aboard any ship or anywhere on the pier
- No strollers
- Souvenirs from the ships will be available for sale (cash only) either on the ship or at a table near the exit
- Please note: While on board any Canadian ship, you are subject to Canadian laws (and outside United States jurisdiction).

Live Broadcast from KIRO7 Eyewitness News. Tune in to KIRO7 Eyewitness News on Wednesday, July 29 for the Parade of Ships & Flight at 1:45 p.m. You won't miss a minute of the action when you tune in to your official Seafair TV station.

Exhibitors

When you visit the Seattle Waterfront and Pier 66 for the Parade of Ships & Flight on Wednesday, July 29, check out interactive exhibits and booths from our partners!

- United Service Organizations (USO)
- Employer Support of the Guard & Reserve (ESGR)
- Seattle Navy League / Sea Cadets
- Navy Recruiting District Seattle

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. What should I wear to the ships?

A. Visitors should plan on wearing comfortable clothing. If you are bringing a handbag or camera case it will be searched prior to entering. Remember to bring sunscreen and sun- glasses. A ship is an industrial environment, so avoid high-heels, necklaces that can get caught, and bags that will be too heavy to carry comfortably. Open-toed shoes are not recommended.

Q. How do we get aboard the ships?

A. Visitors should look for clearly marked entrances. Everyone must go through a security check prior to accessing any ship. The security check is similar to what is present at most airports and consists of a walk-through metal detector and/or wand scan. To avoid delays, guests are encouraged to keep bags to a minimum, as all bags will be checked. Guests should be prepared to present a photo ID upon entering the security area and the magnetometers.

Q. Is there an age requirement to visit the ships?

A. There is no age requirement to tour U.S. Navy ships during Fleet Week. However, there may be steep ladders (stairways) to climb and uneven surfaces to traverse during a ship tour, and thus, tours may not be appropriate for small children and may be difficult for parents carrying young children.

Q. Are strollers allowed on the ships?

A. No. Strollers or baby carriages are permitted on the piers, but are not allowed on the ships. There may be areas to safely store strollers on the piers, but this is not guaranteed. We appreciate your flexibility.

Q. Are the ships handicapped accessible?

A. Unfortunately, U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard and Royal Canadian Navy ships are not handicapped accessible. Personnel on the pier will be happy to discuss the ships with visitors who cannot get aboard.

Q. Are there any physical requirements to visit the ships?

A. There may be steep ladders (stairways) to climb and narrow passageways to traverse during a ship tour. Ship tours may not be appropriate for individuals with heart conditions, breathing difficulties, or other medical conditions impacting their ability to navigate such challenges.

Q. What items are allowed on the ships?

A. Small hand-carried items such as handbags, clear bottles of water, small cameras, or diaper bags are permitted. All personnel are screened and all bags are searched before entering the pier.

Q. What items are not allowed on the ships?

A. The following are not permitted: strollers, glass bottles or containers; banners, posters, or signs of any type; mace, pepper spray, or other defensive sprays or chemicals; knives, firearms, fireworks, or any explosive; illegal drugs including marijuana or paraphernalia; flammable liquids or aerosol spray cans; club weapons; and animals. All electronic devices are subject to examination for functionality. The U.S. Navy reserves the right to prohibit other items not listed above.

Q. May I take photographs on the ships?

A. Yes, photography is permitted aboard the ships during the tours. Pictures of the security personnel or procedures are prohibited.



Seafair proudly supports all military services, and is grateful for their service to our country. In appreciation, Seafair offers free admission to all military personnel to Seafair Weekend Hydroplane Race and Air Show on July 31 – August 2, 2015. For more information on Seafair Festival events visit Seafair.com.

