



The Washington Boat Show

America's Boat Show

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LIFE IS PRETTY DRY WITHOUT A BOAT! **47TH ANNUAL WASHINGTON BOAT SHOW OPENS** **THIS THURSDAY (FEB. 14) AT WASHINGTON CONVENTION CENTER**

WASHINGTON, D.C.--It's much more affordable than you think. There's no better family activity. And now is the perfect time to begin the boating adventure that you've always dreamed about as the **47th Annual Washington Boat Show** returns to the Washington Convention Center opening this Thursday (Feb. 14) and running through Monday, Feb. 18 (President's Day).

This Washington tradition, the 3rd largest indoor show between New York and Miami, presents **over nine acres of displays** that highlight the pure joy of owning a boat or simply enjoying the boating lifestyle of spending time on the water. **More than 500 boats** of all shapes and sizes--express cruisers, motor yachts, runabouts, performance boats, fishing boats, family boats and more--will be **available for purchase at special show prices** starting as low as \$10,000 for an entry level boat, motor & trailer.

Among the featured attractions of this year's show are:

***Queen of the Show/**51-foot Sea Ray 47 Sedan Bridge (priced at \$1,230,000)

***Fastest boat/Malibu** Corvette Sport-V Limited Edition (clocked @ over 60 mph)

***Mid-Atlantic debuts/**Chaparral Sunesta 264 & 284 Wide Tech

As a complement to choosing the right boat, the show also presents opportunities to learn about financing, insurance, maintenance and repair. You'll find an outlet for all your boating obsessions with the convergence of hundreds of nautical vendors displaying the latest in custom surf boards, electronics, nautical clothing, foul weather gear, marine art, scuba & snorkeling trips, boating gadgets & gizmos, new products and much more.

This year's show--presented by SunTrust Marine Lending--runs Thursday, Feb. 14 through Monday, Feb. 18. Show hours are noon-9 p.m. Thursday & Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Sunday and Monday. Adult tickets are \$10, children 6-12 are \$5 and kids 5 & under are free with a paying adult. Discount coupons good for \$2 off Thursday and Friday admission are available online at www.washingtonboatshow.com.

The Washington Convention Center (801 Mt. Vernon Place, NW) is **easily accessible by METRO**. The **Mt. Vernon Square/7th Street station (Yellow/Green lines)** is located inside the Convention Center. Parking is free at METRO-operated lots on weekends.

For additional information, visit www.washingtonboatshow.com., the Boat Show office 703-823-7960 or call the Washington Convention Center @ 202-249-3000.