

Join us for a magical night of boating and a dazzling fireworks finale in Washington, DC—from the tip of Hains Point to the docks of The Wharf.

Saturday, December 1, 2018, 6:00-9:00pm

get started

REGISTRATION

dcboatparade.eventbrite.com

- Registration ends Monday, November 19
- Parade participation is limited to first 60 boats

PARADE SCHEDULE



Land activities begin



Parade begins at Hains Point and sails into the Washington Channel



Parade boat docking begins



Fireworks finale

prizes

PARADE BOATS



Best in Parade \$1,000 and trophy



Community Choice \$500 and trophy



500



400



\$300

Best Sail Boat: \$500 Best Motor Boat: \$500 Founder's Award: \$200

Producer's Choice Award: \$200 Most Animated Crew: \$200

Best Reflection On the Water: \$200

Most Amazing Detail: \$200 Most Ingenious Idea: \$200

Most Likely to Capsize: \$100

Limited to pre-registered boaters. Winners will be announced to the public at 8pm. Prizes will be distributed at the After Party.

parade gifts

TREASURE CHEST

Each pre-registered parade boat that enters the Washington Channel for judging will receive a Commemorative Holiday Boat Parade Captain's Bag (distributed at the After Party) with:

- A Captain's \$100 thank-you gift card for all boats in the DC Holiday Boat Parade
- Commemorative 2018 T-shirts and other Parade memorabilia for the pre-registered Captain and crew (8 total maximum).

captain's meeting

The Wharf will host a mandatory Captain's Coordination Meeting for all pre-registered vessels on Thursday, November 29, at 7pm. The meeting will include hors d'oeuvres and a hosted bar. Parking is complimentary.

on-land events

SAT, DEC 1, 6:00-9:00PM

Guaranteed First Snowfall of the Holidays and:

- · Family photos with Santa
- Gingerbread cookie decorating
- Miniature parade boats crafting
- Christmas tree lighting
- Live holiday music
- · Roaring s'mores bonfire
- Hot chocolate to toast the season
- Fireworks

captain's after party

The private Captain's After Party begins at 8pm at Pearl Street Warehouse (33 Pearl Street SW). The After Party is limited to the participating Captain and up to 7 additional pre-registered crew per vessel (8 total **maximum**). This private event will feature live music, hot hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, parade awards, and prize distribution. The Captain's After Party is a ticketed event, with tickets distributed by Eventbrite through the registration system—no exceptions will be made for non-registered boaters. Party concludes at 10pm.

a holiday tradition

The District's Holiday Boat Parade is part of a Potomac River holiday tradition with the Alexandria Holiday Boat Parade of Lights at the Old Town Alexandria waterfront the same evening at 5:30pm. Boaters are encouraged to participate (and possibly win) in both parades. The District and Alexandria parade coordination teams are working closely together for a seamless parade experience. Register for Alexandria's parade at: ALXboatparade.com/signup.





The District's Holiday Boat Parade is produced by The Wharf. This landmark waterfront event is supported by Cantina Bambina, Capital Yacht Club, Destination DC, District of Columbia Fire Department, Entertainment Cruises, Gangplank Slipholders Association, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, MPD Harbor Patrol, Oasis Marina, Port of Washington Yacht Club, Potomac Riverboat Company Water Taxi, and The Wharf Marina.