

The Tampa Riverwalk

News & Updates



November 2020



Riverwalk Halloween Hunt



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Inaugural Riverwalk Halloween Hunt. We had an amazing turnout of over 1,000 teams for our first virtual event and received some great feedback. Keep an eye out for our Riverwalk Holiday Hunt coming soon!

"Great idea!! We loved this. Please keep doing it for other holidays!! Great activity for all ages!" - McGators

"Love it!! Great for a family and getting in steps! Free for a family on a budget! Please have more!" - BioHazard Crew

"Loved this, was so much fun to get out and spend some time on the Riverwalk!!! great job. Would be so fun for another holiday too." - Voodoo Children

"It's fun and challenging!! Keep it up!" - Radi Ellie

And a HUGE thank you to the amazing sponsors of this event! We could not provide free public events like this without our generous sponsors.

Thank you again!

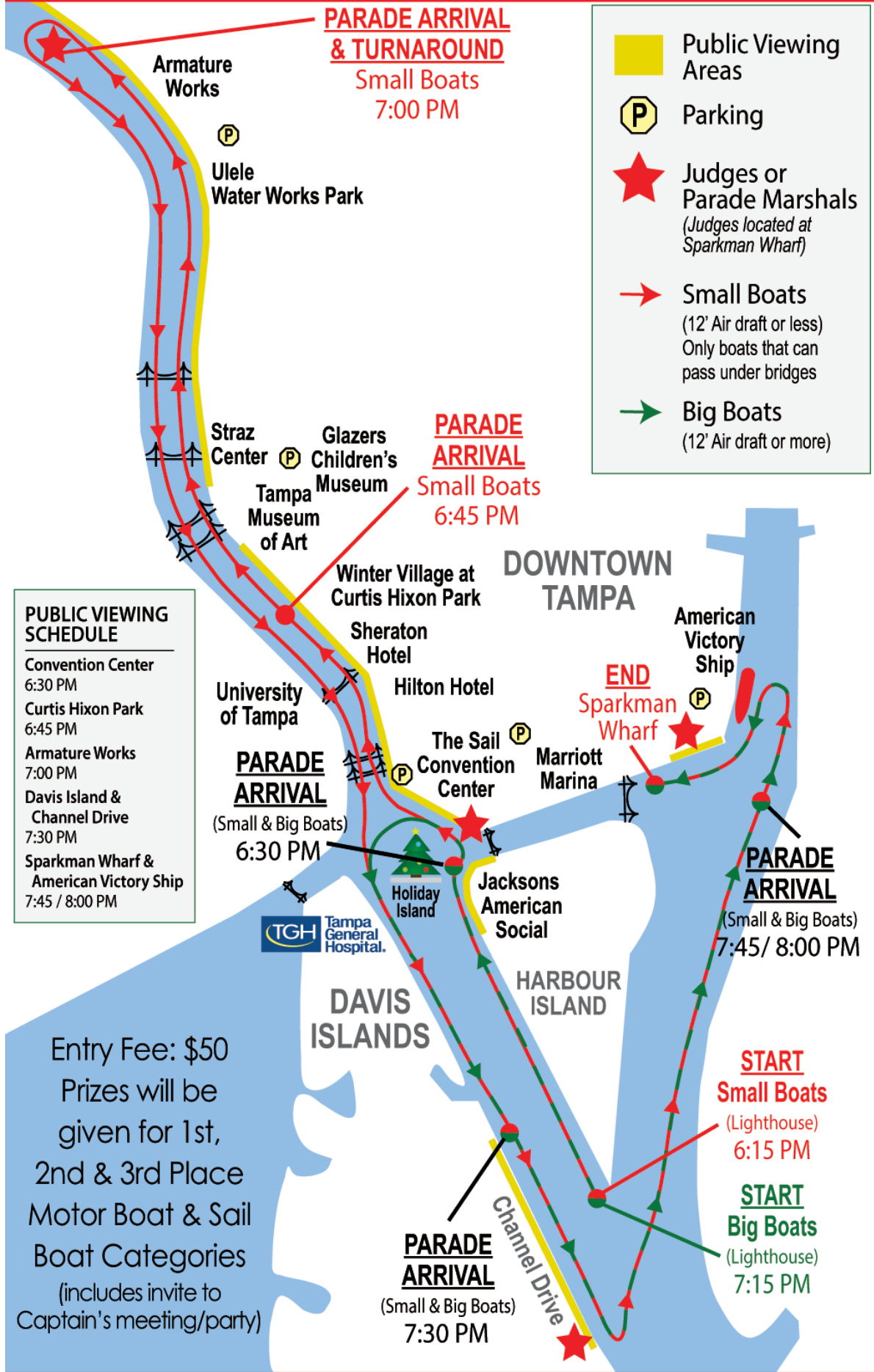
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Upcoming Events



The Downtown Tampa Holiday Lighted Boat Parade is scheduled for Saturday, Dec 19, 2020 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. This FREE holiday event along the Riverwalk will include a large route with multiple public viewing areas shown on the map below.



If you own a boat and would like to be part of the holiday festivities, register your boat for the Holiday Lighted Boat Parade today!

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Holiday Spectacular Sponsorship



HOLIDAY *Spectacular*



The Riverwalk Holiday Spectacular is a natural expansion of our Holiday Lighted Boat Parade and the Holiday Harbour Tree. After the Thanksgiving holiday, the Riverwalk will be festively decorated for the holiday season. In addition to the 35-foot lighted Christmas tree floating in the Convention Center basin, there will be several other lighted displays on floating barges in the River from Armature Works to Sparkman Wharf. The Riverwalk light poles will be adorned with lighted garland along the entire 2.6 mile path. Four giant lighted fish arches will invite guests into Water Works Park which will be illuminated with millions of twinkling white lights in the grand oak trees while the large architectural tree is also decorated with lights and garland. You will also be able to meet your sweetie under the mistletoe at Kennedy Plaza. There is no better way for you to take in all of the holiday wonder than to play the Riverwalk Holiday Hunt mobile scavenger hunt as you meander along the beautifully decorated Riverwalk!

Without the support of our sponsors, events like this would not be possible. If your organization is

Membership



Individual Membership

You can support Friends of the Riverwalk by purchasing an individual membership. Memberships provide discounts at a variety of local restaurants and businesses along the Riverwalk and in Tampa. Your contribution also helps to provide free public events throughout the year including Riverfest, Riverwalk Trick or Treat and Halloween Hunt, the Riverwalk Holiday Spectacular and the Annual Lighted Holiday Boat Parade. We hope that you will consider membership so that we can continue to provide an unparalleled experience along Tampa's beautiful waterfront.

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Construction Updates



Riverwalk Construction by the Straz Center Completed by Thanksgiving

The portion of the Riverwalk that once snaked through the Straz plaza and fountains has finally been rerouted for smoother travel along the Riverwalk. The new path follows the river along the seawall and will turn at the base of the bridge and then follow Cass Street up to an improved crosswalk and traffic signals. Additionally, there will be a new sidewalk on the south side of Cass Street connected to the Poe Parking Garage.

Corporate Member Spotlights



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Specialty Cup Program



Did you know to-go cups are available at any of the following Riverwalk restaurants? Next time you purchase a drink from the bar, ask for a Riverwalk cup and take it as you stroll along the Riverwalk!

- Anchor & Brine at Tampa Marriott Water Street
- Columbia Cafe at Tampa Bay History Center
- Four Green Fields
- Garrison Tavern at Tampa Marriott Water Street
- Malio's Steak House
- Remedy
- Riverwalk Cafe at Tampa Museum of Art
- Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk
- SIP at the Straz Center for the Performing Arts
- The Sail at Tampa Convention Center
- Ulele

Board Member Spotlight

Troy Manthey, Past Chair

President and CEO, Yacht StarShip Cruises & Events



Troy Manthey took the helm of the 180-foot, \$8-million luxury dining vessel, Yacht Starship, shortly after its construction in 2000 in Biloxi, Mississippi. Manthey discovered Tampa in January 2001 when Yacht StarShip was chartered for the world-class annual Gasparilla Invasion/Celebration for Super Bowl weekend. Shortly afterward, he permanently relocated the Yacht StarShip to Tampa Bay's vibrant Channelside entertainment district in downtown Tampa. In May 2007, Yacht Starship opened its 2nd location in Clearwater Beach with the Yacht Starship II and has subsequently added Yacht Starship III (2014) and Yacht Starship IV (2016). In 2009 Mr. Manthey became the sole owner of Yacht Starship Dining Cruises, LLC, which employs 145 people. February 2016, Yacht Starship opened Pirate Water Taxi, LLC, a daily water taxi service with 15 stops and 5 vessels in Downtown Tampa. Most recently (February 2020), Yacht StarShip added a pirate ship, Lost Pearl, to its fleet of dining yachts and water taxis in Downtown Tampa.

Since 2001, Manthey has developed deep roots in Tampa Bay's civic and business communities. Serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors for Visit Tampa Bay, Immediate Past Chair of Friends of the Riverwalk (Board), Hillsborough County Hotel Motel Association (Board), Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association - Pinellas Chapter (Board), Port of Tampa Maritime Industries Association (Board) and S.S. American Victory Ship (Board). On a national level, Manthey served as President of the Passenger Vessel Association, Arlington VA., in 2005.

The Tampa Bay Chamber awarded Yacht StarShip Dining Cruises the 2016 Small Business of the Year in the 51-250 Employee category. Manthey was awarded the Ambassador of the Year for tourism in Hillsborough County in 2017.

Manthey holds a Captain's license from the United States Coast Guard as Master (inland) and 1st Class Pilot – Any Gross Ton. Manthey is a 5th generation Passenger Vessel Operator and Captain, who's family started in the Passenger Steamboat business in 1884. Manthey resides in Tampa with his wife Jill and two sons Jack and Patrick, adult daughter Lindsey resides in New Orleans.

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