

METRO BOAT SHOW

September 13–16, 2018
Lake St. Clair Metropark

Metro Boat Show features a Boat Show and so much more!

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Hundreds of boats up to 60' in water and on land plus: Yeti Giveaways, 80s Dress up Contest, Food Trucks, Beer Tents, Live Music, Kids Zone and More!

Mark your calendar! The ninth annual Metro Boat Show at Lake St. Clair Metropark, coming September 13-16, is an in-water boat show with boats up to 60 ft. in length on display and for sale at great end of season prices. Boats featured include new and previously owned fishing boats, sailboats, cruisers, yachts, pontoon boats, personal watercraft, ski and wakeboard boats, canoes, kayaks and paddleboards. Hundreds of boats will be in water and on land making this event a great place to get the first look at the new 2019 model introductions, and for end-of-season deals from quality yacht brokers and dealers. For those new to boating, it is also a great place to learn more about the different types of boating enjoyed by more than four million people each year in Michigan, and just to have some fun.

The outdoor location of the show and attractions at the event add to the appeal of this boat show – it's unlike any other in the area, and very different than our indoor winter boat shows. A picturesque boardwalk lined with beautiful boats along the Black River leading to Lake St. Clair is the perfect backdrop for a day on the water. Live music entertains patrons in the Tiki & Nauti Bars, other promotions include an '80s dress up contest; Michigan-made craft brews at the beer tents; Yeti A Day Giveaways; and the Kid's Entertainment Zone with RC boats, bounce houses, Meet a Mermaid and more.

The show spans two marinas in the Metropark for a footprint of nearly a half mile from start to finish. The success of the show mirrors boat sales in Michigan, which have been increasing for the past seven years. Pent up demand, low interest rates, high water levels, and great summer weather have fueled another great season for the boating industry. Dealers have reported new and younger customers are buying boats, great news for our industry!

The Metro Boat Show is produced by the Michigan Boating Industries Association (MBIA). The show, located at Lake St. Clair Metropark, will be held September 13-16, 2018. **Hours:** Thurs., Fri.: Noon – 7:30PM, Sat.: 11AM – 7:30PM and Sun.: 11AM – 6PM. For more information, current promotions and contest information, visit metroboatshow.net. **Admission:** \$10 for adults, children 12 and under free with an adult. Parking is \$10 – or free to those with a Metroparks permit. General park information can be found at www.metroparks.com or by calling 1-800-47-PARKS. Limited transient boating

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