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40<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
MARITIME FESTIVAL

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Living History*



UNLEASH THE SPIRIT OF THE SEA

SEPTEMBER 13-15 | DANA POINT HARBOR

# Maritime Festival

## SCHEDULE & EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

**Cannon Battle**  
3:30pm-7:30pm

**Sails N' Ales**  
6:00pm-9:00pm

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

**Pirate Adventure Shows**  
12:30pm-1:00pm, 2:30pm-3:00pm

**Festival Adventure Pass**  
10:00am-4:00pm  
**Pirate Story Time**  
10:30am-10:50am, 1:00pm-1:20pm  
**Mermaid Story Time**  
11:30am-11:40am, 3:30pm-3:40pm

**Mermaid Breakfast**  
8:15am-10:00am

**Mermaid Swim Show**  
10:15am-11:00am, 1:15pm-2:00pm, 2:45pm-3:30pm

**School for Scallywags**  
11:15am-12:00pm, 1:45pm-2:30pm

**Mermaid Meet and Greet**  
11:45am-12:30pm

**Cannon Battle**  
3:30pm-7:30pm

**Pirate and Mermaid Ball**  
6:00pm-10:00pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

**Pirate Adventure Shows**  
12:30pm-1:00pm, 2:30pm-3:00pm

**Festival Adventure Pass**  
10:00am-4:00pm  
**Pirate Story Time**  
10:30am-10:50am, 1:00pm-1:20pm  
**Mermaid Story Time**  
11:30am-11:40am, 3:30pm-3:40pm

**Mermaid Swim Show**  
9:15am-10:00am, 10:45am-11:30am

**School for Scallywags**  
11:15am-12:00pm, 1:45pm-2:30pm

**Mermaid Meet and Greet**  
11:45am-12:30pm

**Mermaid Tea by the Sea**  
1:15pm-3:00pm

**Cannon Battle**  
3:30pm-7:30pm



### CANNON BATTLE

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 3:30pm-7:30pm,  
Maddie James Seaside Learning Center  
Wharf - Dock

Set sail on a historic tall ship in Dana Point for an exciting maritime adventure with mock cannon battles and towering rigging. Each ticket includes a Festival Adventure Pass, and the event is suitable for ages 4 and up, with the R/V Sea Explorer Escort Cruise open to all ages. Beer and wine are available for purchase on board.

Tall Ship Sail Ticket: \$80  
R/V Sea Explorer - Escort Cruise: \$60



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### MERMAID SWIM SHOW

Saturday, 10:15am-11:00am,  
1:15pm-2:00pm, 2:45pm-3:30pm.  
Sunday, 9:15am-10:00am, 10:45am-11:30am,  
Ocean Institute Main Campus

Join us for a magical Mermaid Swim Show, featuring a spectacular performance, a photo opportunity with the mermaids, and a Festival Adventure Pass. This family-friendly event sells out quickly, so be sure to get your tickets soon!

Adult/Senior/Child: \$45  
Infant (0-18months): \$10



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### MERMAID BREAKFAST

Saturday, 8:15am-10:00am,  
Ocean Institute Main Campus

Join us at the Ocean Institute for a magical breakfast with mermaids, featuring a delicious brunch, a dazzling swim show, storytime, and a photo op. Each ticket includes a Festival Adventure Pass for all-day fun!

Adult/Senior/Child Ticket: \$70  
Infant (0-18months) Ticket: \$10



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### FREE! PIRATE ADVENTURE SHOWS

Saturday & Sunday, 12:30pm-1:00pm,  
2:30pm-3:00pm, Spirit of Dana Point



### SCHOOL FOR SCALLYWAGS

Saturday & Sunday, 11:15am-12:00pm,  
1:45pm-2:30pm, Spirit of Dana Point

Join Cap'n Will for a thrilling pirate training session and see if you have what it takes to become a true pirate. Each ticket includes a Festival Adventure Pass for extra fun throughout the day. This event sells out quickly, so don't miss out!

Adult/Child/Senior: \$35



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### MERMAID MEET AND GREET

Saturday & Sunday, 11:45am-12:30pm,  
Ocean Institute Surf Yard

Join us at the Mermaid Grotto for an exclusive meet-and-greet with a mermaid, featuring a photo opportunity and a chance to chat with a mermaid. Each ticket includes a Festival Adventure Pass for extra fun throughout the day. Don't miss this magical experience! This experience does not include a mermaid swim show.

Adult/Senior/Child: \$30  
Infant (0-18mo): \$10



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### MERMAID TEA BY THE SEA

Sunday, 1:15pm-3:00pm,  
Ocean Institute Main Campus

Make a splash at our afternoon Mermaid Tea By the Sea, featuring finger sandwiches, scones, a variety of teas, and a dazzling mermaid swim show. Enjoy story time, a photo opportunity with the mermaids, and a Festival Adventure Pass for additional fun. Don't miss this magical experience for the whole family!

Adult/Senior/Child: \$70  
Infant/Lap Child (0-18months): \$10



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### TAKE YOUR EXPERIENCE HOME WITH OUR MERMAID OR PIRATE PLUSH PACKAGE ADD-ON!

Only available for those who participate in our special experiences. Limited quantity. \$30



### SAILS N' ALES

Friday, 6:00pm-9:00pm,  
Ocean Institute Main Campus

Craft Beer, Live Music and Tall Ships! Join the Ocean Institute in kicking off the Maritime Festival with our Sails N' Ales event! Enjoy craft beer tasting from different local breweries as well as live music by Rogues and Exisle, food, beer, wine, and a prime viewing location of the visiting tall ships! Featured Beer and Tasting Tents: Bottologic, Station Craft, Left Coast Brewing, Helmsman Ale House, Delahunt Brewing Co. Mission Brewing, Project Social, Los Molinos Beer Co.

Entry Ticket: \$10

Tasting Cards: 5 (\$12), 10 (\$20), 15 (\$26), 20 (\$30), Unlimited (\$35)



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### PIRATE AND MERMAID BALL

Saturday, 6:00pm-10:00pm,  
Ocean Institute Main Campus

Join us for the Ocean Institute's Maritime Festival Pirate and Mermaid Ball on September 14, an enchanting evening dedicated to supporting our Adopt-A-Class initiative. This program provides transformative marine science education to Title I schools, helping to inspire and educate children from low-income communities. Enjoy island-themed food stations, live entertainment, thrilling pirate shows, and a silent auction, with an option to upgrade to the Captain's Quarters VIP Package for a premium experience. Your participation helps expand our outreach and make a profound impact on young minds through ocean education.

Ticket: \$175 VIP Table: \$1,100



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# Festival Map



## LEGEND

- TICKETED/PAID AREAS
- FREE OF CHARGE AREAS
- EVENT STAGING (NO PUBLIC ACCESS)
- HANDICAP PARKING
- SHUTTLE AND RIDE SHARE DROP OFF
- 🍺 BEER GARDEN



## FREE FESTIVAL PARKING & SHUTTLE

**FREE PARKING**  
 Saturday: Marco Forster Middle School  
 Sunday: Dana Hills High School  
 Limited spaces available

**FREE SHUTTLES**  
 Shuttle pick ups every 25-30 minutes from 6:30am- 8:15pm

Friday events: Limited parking open at Baby Beach South Lot.  
 No festival parking or shuttles  
 \*We highly encourage ride sharing or utilizing the Dana Point Trolley



## FESTIVAL ADVENTURE PASS

**Weekend Admission  
to the Maritime Festival**

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### Ticketed Areas of the Festival

#### Ocean Institute's Main Campus

10:00am – 4:00pm

Animal Encounters, Marine life artifacts, history of whaling, scrimshaw activity, local aquaria and marine life, sea monster battleship, morse code and how to send a telegram, tide pool touch tank, shark touch tank, and a sea monster scavenger hunt.

#### Maddie James Seaside Learning Center and Historical Wharf Tall Ship Tours

10:00am – 3:00pm

Festival Tall Ships: Spirit of Dana Point, Curlew, Mayflower, and Bill of Rights.

#### Lil' Lads Landing

10:00am – 4:00pm

Enjoy carnival rides, and run through the pirate obstacle course, play festival games with opportunities to win prizes, face painting, crafts, educational booths and more! Don't miss story time! Pirate and mermaid story times throughout the day on the Lil' Lads main stage!

## FREE AREAS OF THE FESTIVAL

#### Peddler's Village

food trucks, vendor booths, handmade goods and more!

#### Maritime History Barn

Includes activities and demonstrations by the Knot Tyers Guild

#### Sailor's Camp

Hosted by the Naval Historical Education Foundation

#### Pirate Adventure Shows

Spirit of Dana Point

#### Salty Seadogs Saloon

Waterfront bar at Maddie James Seaside Learning Center and Historical Wharf with drinks and light snacks for purchase. First come first serve.

#### Beer Garden and Live Music

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# Maritime Festival CANNON BATTLES

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Embark on a voyage aboard a historic tall ship and set sail off the coast of Dana Point. While on board, delve into maritime history and feel the excitement of mock cannon battles at sea. Experience the thrill of blasting cannons, towering rigging, bustling decks, and the splendor of wind-filled sails during a Cannon Battle! Participate by helping the crew haul up the sail or simply relax and admire the impressive display of skill and expertise.

## MEET THE FLEET



#### SPIRIT OF DANA POINT

**Fun Fact:** The *Spirit of Dana Point* is a traditionally built replica of a 1770s privateer schooner used during the American Revolution.

**Type of Ship:** Schooner  
**Overall Length:** 118'  
**Home Port:** Dana Point, California



#### BILL OF RIGHTS

**Fun Fact:** *Bill of Rights* was designed around the lines of 1856 America's Cup Schooner, launched in 1971.

**Type of Ship:** Schooner  
**Overall Length:** 136'  
**Home Port:** Chula Vista, California



#### CURLEW

**Fun Fact:** The *Curlew* was built in 1926  
**Type of Ship:** Schooner  
**Overall Length:** 82'  
**Home Port:** Dana Point, California



#### THE MAYFLOWER

**Fun Fact:** *Mayflower* is a small tall ship designed by Hugh Angelman in 1960 and built almost entirely out of teak! She flies up to seven sails at a time.

**Type of Ship:** Ketch  
**Overall Length:** 52'  
**Home Port:** Newport Beach, California



#### R/V SEA EXPLORER

**Fun Fact:** With 30 years of service at the Ocean Institute, she has had almost one million students step aboard for educational experiences at sea.

**Type of Ship:** Research Vessel  
**Length:** 65'  
**Home Port:** Dana Point, CA

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Your ticket purchase also includes  
a Festival Adventure Pass!

➔ **Want to learn about each individual ship from the bow of the RVSE?** Join us during Cannon Battles for a spectator perspective. Beer, wine and light snacks will be available for purchase onboard the RVSE.

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Pirate and Mermaid Ball

Beer Garden and Sails N' Ales

Sails N' Ales

Pirate and Mermaid Ball

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JUNE SHINE



Sails N' Ales

Salty Seadog Saloon

Sails N' Ales

Sails N' Ales

Beer Garden, Sails N' Ales, PM Ball

Beer Garden

Pirate and Mermaid Ball