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# 2014 Norfolk Harborfest® presented by AT&T

The East Coast's Largest Free Waterfront Festival  
June 6-8, on the Downtown Norfolk Waterfront

NORFOLK, VA – (May 22, 2014) – Norfolk Festevents, Ltd. Announces the **38th Annual Norfolk Harborfest®** Friday June 6, 2014 – Sunday, June 8, 2014 at Town Point Park along the Downtown Norfolk Waterfront. The entire weekend is stocked full of FREE, distinctive, family-friendly FUN on land and sea!

The Downtown Norfolk Waterfront transforms during Harborfest® to include tall ships in the Parade of Sail, the largest fireworks show on the East Coast, local, regional and national entertainment, family activities, unique and unusual performances, water activities and much more.

**Festival hours:** Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from Noon – 11 pm, Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> from Noon – 11 pm, and Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from Noon – 6 pm.

**New in 2014,** Culinary Advisor, renowned chef, food writer, historian, Patrick Evans-Hylton is bringing the first ever Bloody Mary Beauty Contest to the water's edge at Town Point Park. Saturday, June 7 from to noon -2:00pm Contestants will have access to a Guinness World Record-beating variety of garnishes to make their Bloody Mary the most gorgeous drink that a mason jar can support! Bloody Marys start at \$12 with increases for top shelf garnishes. Judges will feature a local chef, artist, and mixologist looking for overall beauty, creativity, and use of the amazing garnishes (on a stick!). 1st place winner receives \$100, 2nd place \$75, and 3rd place \$50 and a chance to win the People's Choice Award for VIP tickets to Saturday Night's Harborfest Activities! Contestants will have their Bloody Mary photographed for judging! Sales are limited and will be first come, first served while supplies last.

**Small Bites:** Local chefs inducted into the Patrick Evans-Hylton Culinary Circle will be hosting a special "Small Bites Tasting Kitchen" located on the festival grounds serving "small bites" items prepared by each chef according to a seafood menu designed in collaboration with Patrick. Items priced individually for purchase. Confirmed restaurants include Andrea's La Bella in Ghent, Charlie's Café, Celebrity Chef Tour and Catering and Todd Jurich's Bistro.

## Tall Ships, Ship Tours, Parade of Sail, Boater Information, and Docking...

### 2014 Harborfest Parade of Sail, Presented by ABC13

The spectacular **Harborfest Parade of Sail**, under the direction of the Virginia Pilots Association and led by the guided missile destroyer USS Cole, will enter the Downtown Norfolk Harbor on Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at noon. Following tradition, this impressive fleet will include tall ships, character vessels, sleek power cruisers, sailing craft, antique and classic wooden boats, military vessels, tugs and more! Thousands of onlookers stationed at

vantage points along the Elizabeth River will be able to witness this expansive fleet as it dances down the river towards Town Point Park.

**The following is a list of visiting ships and character vessels:**

- **USS COLE DDG67**

The Arleigh Burke Class AEGIS-equipped guided missile destroyer was commissioned in 1996. The Cole was deployed to the Mediterranean and Red Sea as part of the George Washington Battle Group in October 2000 when, while refueling in Yemen, the ship was the victim of a terrorist attack that killed 17 sailors. Less than 2 years later, in April 2002, Cole rejoined the Fleet and now features a “Hall of Heroes” onboard where 17 bronze stars daily remind the crew of their fallen shipmates. Cole completed her most recent deployment to the Mediterranean and European Theater in January 2013.



- 505 ft long with a beam of 59 ft.
- Powered by four gas turbine engines powering two shafts generating 100,000 total shaft horsepower.
- Displaces 8,230 tons and is capable of speeds in excess of 30 knots.
- USS Cole is manned with a crew of more than 275.
- The Cole’s armament includes standard missiles, vertically launched ASROC missiles, Tomahawk missiles, Mark 46 torpedoes, the close in weapon system capable of firing 4,500 20 mm rounds-per-minute and the 5” Mark 45 gun which can fire 16 to 20 rounds of conventional ammunition per minute at a range of 13 nautical miles.
- **LYNX: 122’, Square Topsail Schooner:** Home Port: Newport Beach, California
- **PRIDE OF BALTIMORE II: 157’, Square Topsail Schooner:** Home Port: Baltimore, MD
- **VIRGINIA: 126’, Two Masted Gaff Topsail Schooner:** Home Port: Norfolk, Virginia
- **AMERICAN ROVER: 135’, 3 Masted Topsail Schooner:** Home Port: Norfolk, Virginia
- **GODSPEED: 88’, 3 Masted Square-rigged tall ship;** Home Port: Jamestown, Virginia
- **LEARNING BARGE – Elizabeth River Project**
- **USS WISCONSIN:** The USS Wisconsin is an Iowa-class battleship located steps away from Town Point Park in Wisky Basin at Nauticus. She will be open for tours throughout the weekend.

**Ship Tours:** Ships will be open for public tours on Saturday June 7 and Sunday June 8 (some ships may be open for limited hours on Friday following the Harborfest Parade of Sail). Public tours begin at Noon on Saturday and conclude at sunset, unless otherwise posted at the ship. Visitors are requested to wear flat shoes and be able to manage walking up and down access ramps and ladders. Strollers must be left on the dock.

Local boaters are invited to participate as part of the **Spectator Fleet** in the **Harborfest Parade of Sail!** Please register in advance by contacting Shane Vernon at [vernons@festevents.org](mailto:vernons@festevents.org) or 757.441.2345 by June 3, 2014. Upon registration, boaters will receive Parade instructions.

**Public Docking:** All docking on the Downtown Norfolk Waterfront is on a reservation basis only, except for short-term dinghy docking at designated locations on the Norfolk waterfront. Time limits (no overnight docking) and size (16' or smaller) limits apply.

- Docking in the Hospital Point Anchorage in the Elizabeth River across from Town Point Park will be free of charge and available on a first come, first serve basis.
- A water taxi service will be available for boaters at anchorage with transportation to both the Norfolk and Portsmouth Downtown Waterfronts. Rates of the day will apply.

### Norfolk Harborfest Water Events Schedule 2014

#### Friday, June 6

12:00-1:00pm	Parade of Sail & Docking
1:30-2:00pm	Emergency Response Vessel Boat Demo
2:00-2:30pm	SAR Demo
2:30-3:00pm	Jet Pack Demo
3:00-3:20pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo
3:00-6:00pm	Public Visitation aboard tall ships and character vessels
4:30-5:00pm	Jet Pack Demo
5:00-5:20pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo
6:00-6:30pm	Jet Pack Demo
6:30-6:50pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo

#### Saturday, June 7

12:00-6:00pm	Public Visitation aboard tall ships and character vessels
12:30-1:00pm	Jet Pack Demo
1:10-1:30pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo
1:45-2:15pm	SAR Demo
2:30-3:30pm	Chesapeake Bay Workboat Parade
3:30-4:00pm	Jet Pack Demo
4:00-4:20pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo
4:30-5:30pm	Tugmuster
6:30-7:00pm	Jet Pack Demo
7:10-7:30pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo
9:30pm	Fireworks

#### Sunday, June 8

11:00-11:20am	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo
11:30-12:00pm	Jet Pack Demo
11:45-12:30pm	Workboats Rally for Races
12:00-6:00pm	Public Visitation aboard tall ships and character vessels
12:30-1:30pm	Workboat Race

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2:15-2:30pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo
2:30-3:00pm	Jet Pack Demo
4:00-4:45pm	Ultimate Build a Boat Race
5:00-5:30pm	Jet Pack Demo
5:30-5:50pm	Kitty Hawk Kites Demo

### **30th Annual Chesapeake Bay Workboat Parade and Races**

For over a century the Chesapeake Bay workboats have been used as transportation to and from the waters where these men make their living. The Chesapeake Bay Workboats are the official Virginia State Boats. Because of the decline in the seafood industry, the Chesapeake Bay waters that once flourished with these beautiful handmade boats has become a scarce sight. The Chesapeake Bay Workboat Parade on Saturday, June 7 at 2:30pm highlights the creative decorating skills of the Watermen and their families as they dress their clam boats, crab boats and oyster boats to the “T” for this great family showcase! Be sure to come back on Sunday, June 8 12:30pm to witness the power (450 Horsepower) of these boats as they race down the Elizabeth River. The Chesapeake Bay Workboat Race at Harborfest is an event that the Watermen prepare for all year long. The races are serious competitions that allow the heat winners a full year of bragging rights.

### **Tug Muster**

The muscle men of the harbor bring their tugboats out for an all out demonstration of power in the popular Tug Muster Saturday, June 7 at 4:30pm in the Elizabeth River. This “bragging-rights” competition will get your heart racing as the tugs dance in the river and show off their skills!

### **Ultimate Build-a-Boat, Boat Building Contest and Race**

The very popular and zany Ultimate Build a Boat Challenge begins on Saturday, June 8, when teams construct boats from scratch, in various engineering and decorative designs in the hope that their design will survive the test of Sunday’s Ultimate Build a Boat Race! Sunday, June 9 at 4:00pm, the competing teams place their boats, and boating skills to the test with an all-out race to the finish line! This nail- biting event is one not to be missed!

**Harborfest Fireworks Display, Presented by Wavy TV10:** The Harborfest Fireworks Display, produced by Pyro Shows of Tennessee, is the largest pyrotechnics show on the East Coast. Be prepared for the unexpected as the sky is filled with an explosive display of light synchronized to a booming musical score. The show is scheduled for Saturday night at 9:30 pm and fired from a barge in the Elizabeth River.

### **NEW! Buy the Sky in 2014!**

The “LAUNCH” of a great new fundraiser that is sure to brighten your night! For the first time in history, you can purchase your very own portion of The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Harborfest fireworks celebration. For over 30 years, Festevents has dazzled crowds with some of the east coast’s biggest and best fireworks displays. Join us in celebrating this rich tradition by purchasing your portion of the 2014 show. Sections of the show are defined by songs in the fireworks soundtrack and include a rough description of the firework “burst media” during your 30-40 second segment. Visit [www.biddingforgood.com/festevents](http://www.biddingforgood.com/festevents) today to place your bid! Select your favorite song from our chart-topping list and learn what type of “burst media” your song includes. Choose from bombettes, boquets, comets, crackles, Dahlias, palm trees, saturns, hearts, smileys, submarines, stars and more!

Participants will be issued a certificate of authenticity, description of their burst media, song title/artist, and approximate launch time. Don't blink or you could miss the opportunity to own the night!

### The Music of Harborfest

#### Budweiser Main Stage

##### Friday, June 6, 2014

6:00pm Langhorne Slim  
8:30pm The Head & the Heart

##### Saturday, June 7, 2014

3:30pm Yellow Dubmarine ( a reggae-beatles-tribute-band)  
5:45pm The Last Bison  
8:00pm The Spinners  
9:30pm Fireworks

##### Sunday, June 8, 2014

2:00pm The Henningsens  
4:30pm Blackberry Smoke

#### Boathouse Stage

##### Friday, June 6, 2014

2:45pm Bobby Blackhat  
5:00pm Jacob Vanko  
7:15pm Matrimony  
10:00pm Strictly Bizzness

##### Saturday, June 7, 2014

12:30pm Narissa Bond  
2:15pm Mike Proffitt Band  
4:30pm Major and the Monbacks  
6:45pm Apache Relay  
10:00pm Three Sheets to the Wind

##### Sunday, June 8, 2014

12:30pm Amy Gerhartz  
3:15pm Spirit Family Reunion

### The Unique and Unusual of Harborfest...

**NEW! Boardwalk Arcade** –We are bringing vintage arcade games to the Norfolk Waterfront. Revisit your memories of the Boardwalk with classic games like Pacman, Skee Ball and more, all completely free to play!

**NEW! Cabana Land and Hammock Hangout** - With so many awesome things to see and things to do, it is easy to get a little tuckered out at Harborfest. That's why you can't miss Cabana Land and the Hammock

Hangout; your perfect excuse to kick back and relax during the festival weekend while still being in the center of the action.

**NEW! Seaworthy Small Ships** –Build your very own model boat for a small fee and see if she is truly seaworthy as you test her out on the open seas. By open seas we mean a large wading pool where the conditions are always right for sailing and racing your friends.

**NEW! Kitty Hawk Kites** –.Come create a Kiddy Kite with the professionals at Kitty Hawk Kites. While there, check out all the cool water activities they have to offer and get up-close and personal with some of their in water equipment as you get to try it out on land. Don't miss Kitty Hawk Kites' in water demos that will take place 3 times per day at the Mercury Landing Dock as they show off all their toys on the Elizabeth River.

**NEW! The Yorktown Waterman's Museum** –The craft of boat building is a long honored activity that has been practiced along the shores of the Chesapeake Bay for hundreds of years- come watch as local waterman build a 14 foot skiff and participate in an underwater archeological dig using an underwater remotely operated vehicle (ROV).

**NEW! The USAF Heritage of America Band –presents "Turning the Tide"** - a unique program that honors our American military heroes on the 70th anniversary of invasion of Normandy (D-Day). The presentation includes poignant narratives from local WWII veterans, moving patriotic selections, and great music from the WWII Big Band era.

**OBX Jet Pak** – It's a bird, it's a plane, it's OBX Jet Pak! After being featured on HBO's Eastbound & Down and flying the Weather Chanel's Morning News Team they are back at Harborfest 2014 with more high flying tricks and stunts on the Elizabeth River in partnership with Kitty Hawk Kites paddle boarding and a special flight with the Wounded Warrior Project.

**Lucky Bob Lucky Bob** –will entertain, mystify and keep you wanting more. Providing a total variety show that includes magic, juggling, comedy, and audience interaction strolling through the park for the weekend. With his uncanny magical, juggling skills *LuckyBob* takes the audience on a roller coaster of laughs, cheers and smiles. 100% family fun entertainment!

**Pirate Bandana Making and Moody Crewe Pirate School** – Craft yourself the appropriate swashbuckling attire at the Pirate Bandana Tent and then set sail into a class at the Moody Crewe Pirate School where you will learn how to live the shipshape pirate's life ... Yo Ho Yo Ho a pirate's life for me.

**Pirate School for Little Scallywags** –**ARRRGH!** Lessons in the art of Pirating will be taught by **The Pirates of the Moody Crewe** with special guest appearances by **Blackbeard** ... After class, stop in **The Goose and Bull Tavern** where little swashbucklers and their parents can experience firsthand a pirate's daily life including what they eat and drink!! Left your Pirate gear on the ship? Create your own colorful pirate bandana with Joanne from the **Art Barrage**.

### **Sunday Family Funday!**

**On Sunday, June 8, from 10am-2pm**, join us as we celebrate the families of Hampton Roads during this exclusive time at Harborfest!

**ALL ABOARD** the Town Point Express! Enjoy **FREE** train rides throughout Town Point Park on this one of a kind caboose!

Have steam to blow off? Jump inside our three Disney bounce houses... themed with all of our favorite Disney characters: Mickey Mouse, Princess Cinderella and Cars!

Get your face painted at the Pic N Paint station to enhance your festival experience!

Enjoy early water events performances on the Elizabeth River of Kitty Hawk Kites (11:00am) and OBX Jet Pack Demos (11:30am)

### **Other Festival Features include....**

All American Cornhole Blast - presented by Virginia Cornhole Association: This ain't your daddy's horseshoes! It's the All American Cornhole Blast Tournament and Free Play Weekend. Register early to guarantee your place on the roster. Tournament winners receive cash and merchandise prizes. Visit [festevents.org](http://festevents.org) for details, Friday, June 7 – Sunday, June 9, Noon – 5pm.

### **Radio Harborfest**

Broadcasting live at Norfolk Harborfest®, local radio celebrity Paul Shugrue of WHRV hosts “Radio Harborfest”, keeping you updated on the latest festival happenings including weather, traffic, entertainment and anything else Harborfest throughout the weekend.

**HFTV** Watch all of your favorite national performances live on the larger-than life big screen TV. Located adjacent to the Budweiser Main Stage, the giant video wall will be broadcasting national performances, the Parade of Sail, the Fireworks Show and many other great Harborfest traditions throughout the weekend.

The **Made In Virginia Wine Tasting** area will feature wine sampling from wineries across the Commonwealth. Wines will be available by the glass, bottle and case.

**Omar's Fountain Café:** The Fountain Café is located in TowneBank Fountain Park next to the "dancing" fountain in Town Point Park. Omar will be serving delicious, fresh delicacies that you can also enjoy throughout the summer at this special location.

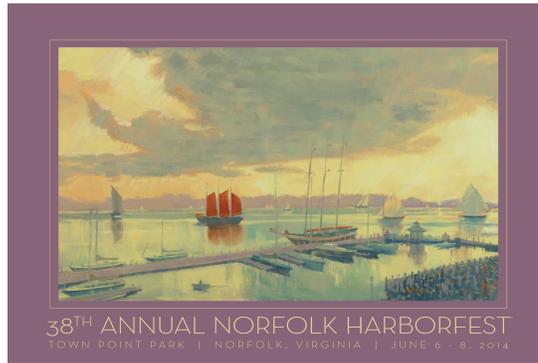
### **Shopping at Harborfest**

**Harborfest Gift Shop:** Harborfest souvenir merchandise is available at all on-site Festival Gift Shops. The Harborfest merchandise line offers a variety of pieces designed to suit a variety of tastes. From official t-shirts to warm fleece for cool evenings, the Harborfest retail line offers visitors a high level of comfort and quality as well as the chance to bring a piece of Harborfest home. You can also visit the Gift Shop after the Festival at <https://www.festevents.org/>

**Harborfest's Town Point Market** is a unique shopping experience you won't find at a mall! Merchant sales items include Wearables like T-shirts, tropical sundresses, handmade clothing, polo shirts and fleece items; Accessories & Novelties like handmade jewelry, pearls, exotic stones, costume jewelry, sterling silver, handbags, leather accessories, sunglasses, hair ribbons, cigars, umbrellas and sea grass hats; Art including

hand blown glass, wood bowls, prints, pottery and wood carved home décor; and Food including cupcakes, gourmet peanuts and flavored popcorn.

### **38th Annual AT&T Norfolk Harborfest<sup>®</sup> Commemorative Poster:**



Doug Clarke is a Plein Air and Studio painter based out of Virginia Beach. He works in oils creating plein air and studio paintings.

Doug graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia with Honors and Magna Cum Laude. As an active member of the Norfolk Drawing Group, Doug strives for excellence in his figure drawings and paintings. His past gallery exhibits include the Art Institute of Charlotte, NC, the Visual Arts Gallery of Portsmouth, VA, the Virginia Museum of Modern Art and the Charles H. Taylor Arts Gallery.

Recently, Doug was awarded 1st place in the Plein Air 757 and 1st place in the Historic Fort Monroe Plein Air Event, as well as winning a Merit Award for Cape Charles Plein Air Exhibition. His art is collected far and abroad internationally. His work is currently represented by Richard Stravitz Gallery and Harbor Gallery.

Currently, he's working on paintings that captures vanishing landscapes from his hometown area of Southeastern Virginia. In pursuit of mastering his craft, he has participated in various plein air events and studied under William Wray and Tom Nachreiner.

...And So Much More! Visit <http://www.festevents.org/harborfest> for regular updates!

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