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NEWPORT INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW OFFERS BOATER EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR VISITORS OF ALL AGES

Newport, R.I. – Newport Exhibition Group, owners and producers of the Newport International Boat Show, announced today a host of educational activities for boating enthusiasts of all ages and experience levels. The 50th Newport International Boat Show will be held in Newport, Rhode Island, September 16 through 19, 2021. All education programs are sponsored by The Sailing Museum, an educational non-profit organization. Seminars will take place in the newly renovated museum space, located at 365 Thames Street, within easy walking distance from the Show site. The museum will feature National Sailing Hall of Fame and America's Cup Hall of Fame exhibits when it officially opens in Spring 2022.

On tap is world-renowned cruising-lifestyle expert Pam Wall, who is offering several seminars on the Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the Show. Wall is well-known for outfitting world cruisers, consulting on prospective sailing routes and providing sailing instruction. Seminar topics include: *The Best Way to Easily Dock Your Boat, Become Your Own Sailboat Maintenance Captain, Outfitting Your Sailboat for Cruising, Cool Products No One Knows About, A Family Sails Around the World and Atlantic Circle – Across the Atlantic and Back.*

The education program will also feature Safe Harbor Marinas, covering important topics such as: *Preparing Your Motor Vessel for The Trip South, Maintaining Your Diesel Engines' Fuel and Cooling Systems Plus Managing and Maintaining Modern Charging Systems* and *'Suddenly Alone' Getting Your Boat Home When Your Captain Cannot* (first aid component included). The full schedule of seminars and registration information for Pam Wall and Safe Harbor Marinas can be found at <u>newportboatshow.com/daily-seminar-schedule</u>. Seating is limited, reserve your space early.

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Freedom Boat Club will offer 90-minute in-water training sessions designed to help participants become better, safer and more confident boaters. Attendees can take the helm of a powerboat with a professional USCG-licensed captain who will lead them through engaging clinics and teach valuable strategies to help improve boating skills. All experience levels are welcome. Course offerings include: *Become a Power Boater, Docking for Beginners, Docking for Intermediate Boaters* and *Women at the Helm.* As class sizes are limited, advanced, online registration is recommended. For the full schedule of on-the-water sessions with the Freedom Boat Club, visit newportboatshow.com/seminar-schedule/.

"With so many new boaters on the water, effective boater education is so important, now more than ever," said Nancy Piffard, Show Director of Newport Exhibition Group. "With new partners, Freedom Boat Club and Safe Harbor Marinas, combined with the amazing Sailing Museum location, we are sure that our 50th Anniversary will not only provide valuable information to boaters, but will be fun for the whole family!"

Celebrating 50 years, the Newport International Boat Show is one of the largest inwater events in the country and the premier show in New England. It encompasses over 14 acres of Newport's famed waterfront and hosts hundreds of exhibitors from around the world with new powerboats and sailboats ranging from 15- to 90-feet, plus an extensive selection of marine equipment, services and accessories for boaters.

Show Dates & Hours:

Thursday, Friday & Saturday, September 16th, 17th, and 18th: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, September 19th: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased online by clicking here.

For more information, visit: www.newportboatshow.com.

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About Newport Exhibition Group:

Based in Newport, Rhode Island, Newport Exhibition Group has produced the highest quality consumer/trade shows for more than 50 years. A subsidiary of Newport Restaurant Group, the organization owns and produces the annual Newport International Boat Show.



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