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13th Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta Sponsorship Form

Saturday, September 13, 2025

The Bayfront Maritime Center is proud to announce that our most anticipated event of the summer, the Cardboard Boat Regatta, will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2025. The 13th Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta is an event for all ages and will include cardboard boat races in four age divisions, food trucks, vendors, an awards ceremony, and fun for the whole family. The Regatta is free to watch and typically hosts 250-500 guests, including participants and their families, spectators, local businesses, and news stations.

As one of our main fundraisers, the Regatta supports BMC as we work to create opportunities for the community to connect with the water, learn valuable skills, and experience the joys of the maritime world – regardless of ability, background, or financial means. Our work is driven by a belief in the year-round transformative power of Lake Erie and the boundless opportunities that come with it. Our on-the-water programs – including the only adaptive sailing program in Pennsylvania and initiatives like Erie Community Boating – are designed to create access to the water for everyone. Our summer and after-school programs focus on providing youth with valuable teamwork skills and hands-on experiences in STEM. While our programs are maritime-based, their true purpose is to empower and educate our community. We are so grateful to have your support in achieving these goals.

Attached you will find opportunities to support the Regatta through a sponsorship. In addition to supporting BMC's mission, sponsorships help us create sponsored entries for any participant who requests one, ensuring our event aligns with our priority to make maritime education and activities accessible to all.

For more information, please contact us at (814) 456-4077 or info@bayfrontcenter.org. We look forward to connecting with you to answer any questions about the event or our organization.

Thank you for supporting the Bayfront Maritime Center!

Vince Nientimp
Board President
Bayfront Maritime Center

The Erie Maritime Foundation dba Bayfront Maritime Center is a 501(c)3 non-profit with the mission of implementing engaging, hands-on, maritime-themed educational, vocational and recreational opportunities for the community in a universally accessible waterfront facility.



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13th Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta Sponsorship Opportunities

\$4,000 – Frigate Level

Includes all benefits of previous levels and acknowledgement as a presenting sponsor of the event in all promotional materials, news coverage, and press releases.

\$2,000 - Schooner Level

Includes all benefits of previous levels and the opportunity to display a promotional banner at the event.

\$1,000 – Trawler Level

Includes all benefits of previous levels and acknowledgement in news coverage.

\$500 – Catamaran Level

Includes all benefits of previous level and the opportunity to operate a vendor space at no additional cost. Please email info@bayfrontcenter.org if you are interested in participating as a vendor.

\$250 – Skiff Level

All sponsors interested in entering the Regatta will have the registration fee waived. Please visit email info@bayfrontcenter.org to complete your registration.

Promotional coverage for all sponsors includes name/logo on:

- BMC website “Cardboard Boat Regatta” page
- BMC social media
- Event signage
- Announcement during the event

Payment

Please mail or deliver the completed form (attached) and your check to:

Bayfront Maritime Center
40 Holland St
Erie, PA 16507

All checks should be made payable to the Bayfront Maritime Center. To ensure we are able to include your sponsorship in our promotional materials, please return your sponsorship form by August 29, 2025.



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Thank you for your support! You/your company agrees to sponsor the 13th Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta. This entitles your company to the benefits listed in the enclosed sponsorship proposal. To sponsor this event, please complete this form and mail/deliver it by August 29, 2025 along with a check made payable to the Bayfront Maritime Center.

Unless otherwise specified, your signature below gives the Bayfront Maritime Center authorization to use your company name/logo in all publicity and printing materials. (For individual, non-corporate sponsorships, your name will be listed). If applicable, please email us at info@bayfrontcenter.org with a high resolution copy of your company's logo by August 29, 2025.

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of: _____
(Legal Sponsor / Organization Name)

Sponsor Contact Name: _____

Title (if applicable): _____

Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____

Acknowledged Sponsor Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

I would like my name / organization to appear in sponsorship materials: Yes [] No []

I would like my sponsorship to be anonymous / excluded from BMC's annual report: []

Sponsor Name (as you wish it to appear on signage): _____

Check the agreed level of sponsorship:

- _____ \$4,000 – Frigate Level
- _____ \$2,000 – Schooner Level
- _____ \$1,000 – Trawler Level
- _____ \$500 – Catamaran Level
- _____ \$250 – Skiff Level

Will you be entering a cardboard boat in the Regatta: [] Yes [] No

Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____