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TALLSHIPS®LA SPECTATORS CAN ENJOY ACTIVITIES UNIQUE TO THE HARBOR AREA

San Pedro's Local History, Museums and Art Featured



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SAN PEDRO, Calif. – As visitors enjoy the grandeur of the 15 spectacular vessels during TallShips®LA from Thursday, August 11, to Sunday, August 14, there will also be nearby activities for everyone to enjoy whether you're a connoisseur of art, a maritime history buff or interested in aquatic life.

For art lovers, there will be 52 exceptional entries from the Port of Los Angeles' *Portraits* art competition on display at various San Pedro art galleries. The San Pedro Art Association Gallery at Ports O' Call Village; Angels' Ink located at 366 W. 7th Street; Goose Drank Wine at 369 W. 7th Street; and The Loft Gallery at 401 S. Mesa Street are featured locations.

Enjoy free rides from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the Port's Waterfront Red Car Line, replica Pacific Electric Red Cars that operated throughout Los Angeles in the early 1900s. Take advantage of the free transfers on the San Pedro Electric Trolley Line to visit downtown San Pedro and Cabrillo Beach attractions.

Along the way, Red Car conductors offer information about San Pedro's popular tourist attractions along the 1.5-mile track that runs parallel to Harbor Boulevard. Highlights along the line include the Vincent Thomas Bridge, World Cruise Center, historic downtown and Ports O' Call Village.

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TallShips®LA Activities

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To learn about the maritime industry and its history, the public can visit the Los Angeles Maritime Museum located at Berth 84. Exhibits include "20,000 Jobs Under the Sea." Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

The Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, located at 3720 Stephen White Drive, will offer a chance for families to learn about sea creatures and their natural habitats, and get hands-on experience with sea life at the touch tank. The facility will be open Thursday and Friday from 12 noon to 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The Warner Grand Theatre, located at 478 W. 6th Street, will play "Easy Rider" on Friday, August 12, "Riding Giants" and "Bend It Like Beckham" on Saturday, August 13, and "Babes on Broadway" on Sunday, August 14.

To see a fully operational World War II Victory Ship, visitors can view the S.S. Lane Victory located at Berth 94, under the Vincent Thomas Bridge. Another historical site to visit is the Los Angeles Fire Department Harbor Museum, formerly Fire Station 36, located at 638 Beacon Street. The museum will be open from Thursday, August 11 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 13.

For more information about TallShips®LA, contact the information line at the Los Angeles Maritime Institute at (877) 825-7447 or visit www.portoflosangeles.org or www.lamitopsail.org.

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