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PORT OF LOS ANGELES OFFERS FREE BOAT TOURS MAY 14 & 15, 2005

Harbor Sights and Attractions = Fun for the Whole Family!

SAN PEDRO, CA – Free boat tours of the Port of Los Angeles will be available to Southland residents and visitors on Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15, in observance of World Trade Week 2005. The hour-long tours of the nation's busiest port will depart both days between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. from Ports O' Call Village in San Pedro and Banning's Landing in Wilmington.

An impressive array of ships, machinery, wildlife and other sights unique to the harbor provide a fascinating sightseeing adventure for visitors of all ages. After the tours, visitors can enjoy the shops and restaurants in Ports O' Call Village, learn about harbor area history at the Los Angeles Maritime Museum, or take free rides on the Port's Waterfront Red Car Line.

The Red Cars offer free transfers to the rubber-tire San Pedro Electric Trolley, to access the shops, galleries and restaurants in historic downtown San Pedro, and to Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, Cabrillo Beach and the Cabrillo Beach Bathhouse. The Waterfront Red Car Line also goes to the Cruise Ship Promenade, where visitors can stroll the beautiful new boardwalk and visit the historic S.S. Lane Victory, a floating museum. In addition, exhibits at Ports O' Call Village and Banning's Landing Community Center will highlight the Port's upcoming waterfront development projects.

Reservations are not required for the free boat tours, which board on a first-come, first-served basis. Handicap passenger access is available at each departure point.



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After 5:00 p.m.:

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World Trade Week Boat Tours

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Information about the Port's World Trade Week Boat Tours program is available 24 hours a day on the Port's toll-free special events line at (800) 831-PORT; at (310) 732-3508 during normal business hours; and at www.portoflosangeles.org.

World Trade Week is a national, month-long program of tours, seminars and other events to educate the public about the importance of international trade to the local economy. For information about other local World Trade Week activities, call the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce at (213) 580-7538, or visit the official event website, www.worldtradeweek.com.

The Port of Los Angeles is America's premier port. As the leading containerport in the nation and a critical hub in the international supply chain, the Port generates thousands of stable, well paying jobs. It has also placed a high priority on smart growth initiatives combined with high security, environmental stewardship and community outreach. The Port of Los Angeles is a proprietary, self-supporting department of the City of Los Angeles. The Port of Los Angeles. . . Anchoring a bright future.

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