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# Celebrate the Season in San Pedro with the new Holidays by the Sea, Dec. 2-3

Civic Institutions and Businesses Come Together for a Weekend of Festivities

San Pedro, Calif. Nov. 27, 2023 – For the first time, civic institutions and businesses in San Pedro are partnering to host together *Holidays by the Sea*, a family-friendly weekend filled with fun activities, events and entertainment from Saturday, Dec. 2 to Sunday, Dec. 3 along the city's waterfront and in downtown.

Uniting historically separate annual festivities, the two-day celebration brings together The Port of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Waterfront, the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce, West Harbor, the Los Angeles Maritime Institute, the San Pedro Historic Waterfront Business Improvement District, Crafted and the One-Five Council District (the City of Los Angeles Council District 15). *Holidays by the Sea* reflects community spirit and collaboration during the season of joy and giving.

Highlights of the weekend include a boat parade, tree lighting, downtown parade and festival, a real snow slide, a two-day makers market, arts and crafts, food trucks, entertainment, and visits with Santa. Free trolley rides will be available at designated parking locations.

Schedule of Events and Activities:

## SATURDAY, DEC. 2 AND SUNDAY, DEC. 3

## Holiday Pop-Up Market presented by West Harbor with San Pedro Makers Market

Just in time for holiday shopping, this holiday pop-up market features gifts and works of artists, craftspeople and artisans, including local entrepreneurs and small indie businesses, food trucks, entertainment and opportunities to take personal photos with Santa. Admission: free

Time: Dec. 2, 3-8 p.m. | Dec. 3, 1-8 p.m.

**Location:** West Harbor, 1200 Nagoya Way, San Pedro **More information:** westharborla.com/holidays

#### SATURDAY, DEC. 2

## Holidays by the Sea presented by The Port of Los Angeles and community partners

This inviting collection of activities and events for the whole family includes the Town Square tree lighting, live entertainment, arts and crafts, drinks and snacks, holiday shopping at a pop-up holiday market, and the annual boat parade. Admission: free

Time: 3-8 p.m. | Tree lighting, 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** LA Waterfront

More information: <a href="mailto:lawaterfront.org/events">lawaterfront.org/events</a>

# Happy Harbor Holiday Afloat Parade presented by The Port of Los Angeles

The annual boat parade celebrates 62 years of festive light displays. Head to the LA Waterfront in the Port of Los Angeles Main Channel and view about 50 decorated and illuminated boats, including powerboats, sailboats, tall ships, and harbor working craft. Admission: free.

Time: 6-8 p.m.

**Location:** Viewing points are located along the Main Channel, including by the Battleship Iowa, the Los Angeles Maritime Museum, 600 Sampson Way, San Pedro; West Harbor, 1100 Nagoya Way, San Pedro; the Cruise Ship Promenade at Harbor Boulevard and



Swinford Street, San Pedro; 22nd Street Landing, 22nd Street Landing, 141 W. 22nd Street, San Pedro; Cabrillo Way Marina, 2293 Miner St. San Pedro; Cabrillo Marina, 224 Whaler's Walk, San Pedro, the California Yacht Marina and the California Cafe in Wilmington.

More information: <u>laharborholidayafloat.com</u>

### Maritime Merriment presented by the Los Angeles Maritime Museum

Experience prime views of the Happy Harbor Holiday Afloat Parade, warm up with hot chocolate and indulge in cookies. This event raises funds for the museum. The "Sea Chest" gift shop at the museum will also be open for holiday shopping. Tickets: \$10, adults; free admission for children

Time: 5-9 p.m.

**Location:** 84 Foot of 6th St Berthing, San Pedro

More information: <a href="mailto:lamaritimemuseum.org/event/maritime-merriment/">lamaritimemuseum.org/event/maritime-merriment/</a>

#### SUNDAY, DEC. 3

# 43rd Annual San Pedro Spirit of the Holidays Parade presented by the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce

This festive tradition brings families, little leagues, scouts, students, high school bands, equestrian units, and volunteers to downtown San Pedro to celebrate the holiday season and the community. More than 9,000 people will line the streets to view the parade. Rain or shine, the parade will kick off at 13th and Pacific Avenue and head north on Pacific, turn right on 6th Street and head east to Palos Verdes Street.

**Time:** 1-3 p.m.

**Location:** Downtown San Pedro

More information: San Pedro Spirit of the Holidays Parade



# Winter Wonderland Snow Slide presented by the One-Five Council District

Children of all ages will have an opportunity to enjoy a free slide featuring real snow on the waterfront.

**Time:** 3-8 p.m.

Location: LA Waterfront Towne Square, Berth 84, Foot of 6<sup>th</sup> Street, San Pedro

More information: <a href="mailto:councildistrict15.lacity.gov/">councildistrict15.lacity.gov/</a>

## Santa Sail presented by Harbor Breeze Cruises

This extended tour around the harbor features a hot cocoa bar, cookie/gingerbread station, and ornament

station. Tickets: \$40, adults; \$20, children 3-11 years

**Time:** 4-5 p.m.

Location: 550 S. Harbor Blvd., San Pedro

More information: Santa Sail by Harbor Breeze Cruises