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Hong Kong Maritime Week 2023 Free Family Fun Day
Hong Kong Maritime Museum Offers Free Admission and Family Activities
- 25 November 2023



Hong Kong, 6 November 2023 – As part of the Hong Kong Maritime Week 2023, the Hong Kong Maritime Museum (HKMM) will present a family fun day with free admission on 25 November 2023. A series of activities and souvenirs will be offered for children and their families to enjoy and learn more about the industry and maritime history in Hong Kong, including game booths, marine cartoon screening, marine wildlife talks, hand painting, sea cleaning demonstration, activity worksheets for children and much more. Educational activities such as docent tours, and a tour on a tugboat will also be offered.

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(Marine Cartoon Screening)



(Marine Wildlife Talks)



(Hand Painting Workshop)



(Treasure Hunt Worksheet)



(Docent Tours)

Together with the Hong Kong Maritime and Port Board and the Hong Kong Shipowners Association, HKMM is the co-organiser of the seventh Hong Kong Maritime Week. In partnership with the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and InvestHK, a week of maritime activities will be held from 19 to 25 November 2023. Through the activities, HKMM hopes to promote Hong Kong as a preferred base for operating maritime business, provide a networking platform for achieving further synergy among members of the maritime cluster and advancement of professionalism in various port and maritime

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services, and raise public awareness of the economic significance of the port and maritime sectors as well as the prospects of a maritime career.



(International Signal Flag by Scout Association of Hong Kong)



(Ship Simulator by Hong Kong Sea Cadet Corps)



(Game Booth by Hong Kong Life Saving Society)



(Mooring Safety Game by Hong Kong Seamen's Union)

Funded by the Maritime and Aviation Training Fund (MATF), in collaboration with Marine Department, Hongkong Salvage & Towage Services Ltd., Hong Kong Seamen's Union, Hong Kong Sea Cadet Corps, Hong Kong Life Saving Society, The Nature Conservancy (TNC), Scout Association of Hong Kong and Vocational Training Council, HKMM opens its doors for free to the public on 25 November 2023.

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(All Aboard on the Tugboat)

Highlighted events include a refuse collection vessel demonstration, provided by the Marine Department, which will showcase the scavenging and collection of marine floating refuse and promote the importance of maintaining cleanliness at sea. Visitors can see how the vessels clean the harbour and learn about the daily operation of clean-up at sea and the latest technology applied to marine cleansing. Also, visitors can join the guided tour for visiting Hongkong Salvage & Towage Services Ltd.'s multipurpose tugboat *Tai O*. Get a glimpse of the deck, the engine room, crew's quarters and the galley. Registration is required for the above activities, noted in the programme details.



(The Oyster Odyssey: Restoring Hong Kong's Lost Treasure Exhibition)

The special exhibition *The Oyster Odyssey: Restoring Hong Kong's Lost Treasure* is also open on the Free Family Fun Day. Organised and curated by The Nature Conservancy (TNC), this exhibition will display oyster reef exhibits and introduce local oyster industry history, culture and oyster reef restoration works in Hong Kong. The exhibition will run until 31 January 2024.

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Hong Kong Maritime Week 2023: Free Family Fun Day

Date: 25 November 2023 (Saturday)

Time: 10:00 - 19:00

Location: Hong Kong Maritime Museum, Central Pier No. 8

Details: https://bit.ly/3rZDsqm

Programme Details:

Advanced queuing for tickets required:

Tickets for all sessions will be distributed from 10:00 onwards at Special Exhibitions and Events Gallery, on a first come first served basis while stocks last.

Each visitor can only participate in one session. All tickets have to be collected in person and cannot be collected for someone else.

1. All Aboard on the Tugboat

Supported by Hongkong Salvage & Towage Services Ltd.

Join the guided tour for visiting Hongkong Salvage & Towage Services Ltd.'s multipurpose tugboat *Tai* O. Get a glimpse of the deck, the engine room, crew's quarters and the galley.

Location: Gather at Special Exhibitions and Events Gallery, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

3 sessions, 45 minutes each

Quota: 30 participants per session

Session 1: 10:15 - 11:00 Session 2: 11:15 - 12:00 Session 3: 12:15 - 13:00

2. Hand Painting Workshop (For children aged under 12 only)

Children can enjoy colourful cartoon painting on their hands to build awareness and to celebrate this marine-related event. They can choose among cartoon-like sea animals, boats, lighthouse or another pattern.

Location: Special Exhibitions and Events Gallery, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

3 sessions

Quota: 35/40 participants per session

Session 1: 11:00 - 13:00 Session 2: 13:00 - 15:00 Session 3: 15:00 - 17:00

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3. Refuse Collection Vessels Demonstration

Supported by Marine Department

A refuse collection vessel demonstration will showcase the scavenging and collection of marine floating refuse and promote the importance of maintaining cleanliness at sea. Visitors can see how the vessels clean the harbour and learn about the daily operation of clean-up at sea and the latest technology applied to marine cleansing.

Location: Gather at Special Exhibitions and Events Gallery, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

2 sessions, 30 minutes each

Quota: 26 participants per session

Session 1: 14:00 - 14:30 Session 2: 14:30 - 15:00

No registration required. Join on the day:

4. Marine Cartoon Screening

A series of interesting marine-related cartoons will be screened to arouse children's interest in learning about marine science and conservation.

Location: Blue Ocean Hall, A Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

Time: 10:00 - 11:00

5. Treasure Hunt Worksheet

Worksheets are provided to children for a fun journey around the museum to learn more about maritime history, culture, and heritage.

Location: Special Exhibitions and Events Gallery, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

Time: 10:00 - 18:00

6. Game and Information Booths

Supported by Hong Kong Seamen's Union, Hong Kong Sea Cadet Corps, Hong Kong Life Saving Society, Scout Association of Hong Kong, Vocational Training Council and volunteers

Games and information booths will be provided by these organisations about maritime information, knowledge, and heritage. The games include Ship Simulator, mooring safety, water safety, poster stamping, and signalling. Information booths include the display of international Signal Flag, ship object, flag exhibits and provide maritime communications training.

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Location: Special Exhibitions and Events Gallery, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

Time: 11:00 - 17:00

7. "Shipping and Marine Ecosystem" Talk (Cantonese only)

The talk topic about Shipping and Marine Ecosystem will be presented by Mr Gomen See, Marine Science Programme Manager, Hong Kong Maritime Museum. He will share knowledge and experience about marine science, Hong Kong's maritime history, culture, and heritage.

Location: Blue Ocean Hall, A Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

2 sessions, 30 minutes each Session 1: 12:00 - 12:30 Session 2: 15:30 - 16:00

8. Docent Tours

Guided tours of A, B, C Deck led by experienced docents, help to explain the maritime history, culture, heritage and marine science to the public.

Starting and gathering point at Lobby, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

3 sessions of approx. 1 hour each.

Session 1: 14:00 - 15:00 Session 2: 15:00 - 16:00 Session 3: 16:00 - 17:00

9. Photobooth with Captain Shiba and Doctor Dolphin

Capture the joyful and memorable moments of the Hong Kong Maritime Week 2023 together with our mascots Captain Shiba and Doctor Dolphin.

Location: Special Exhibitions and Events Gallery, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

Time: 10:00 - 18:00

10. The Oyster Odyssey: Restoring Hong Kong's Lost Treasure Exhibition Supported by The Nature Conservancy (TNC)

An oyster exhibition presented by TNC. It will display oyster reef exhibits and introduce local oyster industry history, culture and oyster reef restoration works in Hong Kong.

Location: Blue Ocean Gallery, A Deck & Long Gallery, B Deck, Hong Kong Maritime Museum

Time: 10:00 - 18:00

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About Hong Kong Maritime Museum

The Hong Kong Maritime Museum (HKMM) was founded by members of the Hong Kong Shipowners Association to help Hong Kong residents and visitors to the city explore its unique maritime heritage. HKMM is an independent, non-profit registered charity supported by the shipping industry, the business community, individuals and the Hong Kong SAR Government. The HKMM is a cultural institution that tells the stories of Hong Kong's relationship with the sea, including the trades between Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta and the world, and the vital roles played by so many ships in those stories.

The Museum opened its doors to the public at Murray House in Stanley in 2005 and relocated to Central Pier No. 8 in the heart of the Central Harbour Waterfront in 2013. Today the Museum displays over 1,000 objects in 15 galleries, attracting over 50,000 visitors in 2022-2023. The HKMM also houses various event spaces, a research centre and its Museum Cafe (social enterprise), which enjoys a wonderful harbour view. The HKMM engages with the community of Hong Kong by providing education and public programming to schools, adults, community groups and families.

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