



KENTUCKY EXPOSITION CENTER

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SUMMER RECREATION ARRIVES EARLY AT THE PROGRESSIVE LOUISVILLE BOAT, RV AND SPORTSHOW

LOUISVILLE, KY (January 20, 2016) – Summer may be a few months away, but the 59th Annual Progressive Louisville Boat, RV & Sportshow offers recreation-enthusiasts the opportunity to start planning and preparing for summertime adventures. Held Wednesday Jan. 27 – Sunday, Jan. 31 at the Kentucky Exposition Center, this event brings hundreds of boats, RVs and accessories for outdoor sports together under one roof.

Various activities are available, including testing kayaks, canoes or paddleboards at Paddlefest. Children 12 and under can fish at the Kid's Trout Pond. In addition, the Wake Zone will feature a wakeboard trampoline where riders demonstrate flips, twists and other stunts. Seminars will cover topics such as boating 101, techniques for catching different types of fish and buying an RV.

Attendees can test their boating skills on the United States Power Squadrons Boating Skills Virtual Trainer, a boating simulator that allows users to learn about departing the dock, fairways, pivot turns, moorings crossing and emergency stops.

In addition to the always popular trout pond, children under 12 will be able to create their own crankbait at the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife booth.

Held in the South Wing, show hours are Wednesday, 5 – 9 p.m., Thursday, 12 – 9 p.m., Friday, 12 – 9 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors (60 and up) and free for children (15 and under) and active military with an active military ID. Parking at the Kentucky Exposition Center is \$8 per vehicle and \$20 per bus.

For more information, visit <http://www.louisvilleboatshow.com>.

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ABOUT THE KENTUCKY EXPOSITION CENTER

One of the top 10 largest public facilities of its kind in the United States, the Kentucky Exposition Center features 1.2 million square feet of contiguous exhibit space including Freedom Hall, an indoor arena which seats over 19,000 people. The facility's class "A" exhibit space totals 677,000 square feet and accommodates an amazing spectrum of events year round. The expo center is the permanent home for the Kentucky State Fair, the National Farm Machinery Show, and the North American International Livestock Exposition. For more information, go online to www.kyexpo.org.

ABOUT PARKING

Conveniently located adjacent to the Louisville International Airport and near the junction of three major interstates, the Kentucky Exposition Center is easily accessible and just five minutes south of downtown Louisville. The spacious grounds have 19,000 parking spaces and is accessible from six gates surrounding

the facility. Gates are located off of Phillips Lane, Crittenden Drive and Preston Highway. Parking at the Kentucky Exposition Center is \$8 per vehicle and \$20 per bus.