



# 31st Maine Boatbuilders Show

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## Spring is Coming!

The Maine Boatbuilders Show for 2018 is ready for spring! This is the second year at the Portland Sports Complex. Same show, new site! Sail, power, small and large boats are all represented at the 3- day event in March in Portland, Maine.

Up and down the NE coastline, boat yards are humming. Come meet the builders, see the experts and get your boating questions answered. If you are an old salty, or new to boating, this is the show to spend the weekend with. All of the manufacturers for marine products and engines are here. Three days is NOT enough time!

Maine's boatbuilding community is extremely diverse. There are those that build dinghies, others mega-yachts, and anywhere in between and this show is here to promote everyone. Many boat builders do not know what they will have available at show time, but when we know what boats are coming we will send out press releases promoting them. Each year brings a new crowd.

With the brain trust that is attracted to the show, there is often animated discussions and as much going on in the aisles as in the booths. Friends make the show an annual pilgrimage. The fact that it is a gathering point and a celebration has attracted national organizations.

The Maine Maritime Academy Alumnae will hold a Maritime Flea Market all three days with proceeds going to support Maine Maritime Academy with scholarships. Lectures are free all three days so picking a seat for a REST and enjoy an educational hour. There is a restaurant in the new site all on ONE floor!

To celebrate the next generation, for the SEVENTH year, there will be an engine diagnosis competition between the Maine Vocational High schools 10-12 Saturday. This has grown and become very important to our industry as we ALL are looking for new competent employees and what better than to see them at their best, here competing for \$15K in scholarships!

The show is expected to draw around 10,000 people to the **Portland Sports Complex, located at 512 Warren Ave, in Portland, Maine.** Admission is \$15 per day at the door or ON LINE tickets are available. Children under 12 accompanied by adults will be admitted free. Groups of 10 or more can purchase block tickets for \$10.00 ea. It is open to the public and will run from 10am to 6 pm on Friday March 23<sup>th</sup> and Saturday March 24<sup>h</sup> and from 10am to 4pm on Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup>.

To learn more about the 31<sup>th</sup> Maine Boatbuilders Show go to [www.portlandyacht.com](http://www.portlandyacht.com)

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