

Festivals, shows and regattas



Anacortes Waterfront Festival with car exhibits, boatbuilding competition, music, food and family activities.



Maine Canoe Symposium is a non profit event to appreciate North American canoeing heritage and develop skills.



Toronto International Dragon Boat Race Festival is one of Toronto's signature cultural events with, typically, over 5,000 paddlers on the water.



The Blackburn Challenge is an unpowered 32km open water circumnavigation of Cape Ann in Massachusetts.



Gig Harbor Paddlers Cup, Washington, for dragon boats and anything smaller, racing for all ages and ability levels.



Boston Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival was the first dragon boat regatta in the US.



Vogalonga Venezia is a 30km race, not too serious, from the Piazza San Marco through the Lagoon, typically with 6,000 people in anything unpowered that floats but a protest event against powered craft damaging the city.



Florida Gulf Coast Small Boat Meet at Cedar Key is part of the recovery process after the 2024 hurricane season.



Zanzibar Beach & Watersports Festival has every sport from kayak and dhow racing to goat racing and much more with plenty of music over three days.



Wye Island Challenge Electric Boat Marathon, a 39km circuit including a Picnic Class for those who do not want to race.



Régates 1900 in Cenon-sur-Vienne in early 20th century costume includes canoe and other races, live music and Vete Venitienne, an illuminated parade.



Steveston Dragon Boat Festival, British Columbia.



Stari Grad International maritime festival Days in the Bay involves four days of sailing, introduction of many unusual kinds of Mediterranean craft and discussion of the future of Croatian nautical tourism.