



November 7, 2018

## *22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Veteran's Boat Parade Sets Sail on Saturday*

MADEIRA BEACH, FL – On Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> the City of Madeira Beach is encouraging residents and visitors to come out and honor WWII and other Veteran's by attending the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Veteran's Boat Parade. More than 20 boats decorated in a patriotic theme will participate in the parade, including the lead boats which will carry local Veteran's. The event will begin at 10 a.m. with opening ceremonies at the docks of American Legion Post 273, 600 American Legion Drive, Madeira Beach, FL.

At 10:30 a.m. the lead boats, carrying our local WWII and Korean War heroes, will launch followed by a procession of decorated vessels. Each boat will proudly honor the men and women of our armed forces, past and present. The parade route will head south along the Intracoastal Waterway with boats making their way through multiple inlets along the western shore, through Boca Ciega Bay and ending near Isle of Palms in Treasure Island. Prime viewing locations include:

- American Legion Post 273, 600 American Legion Drive, Madeira Beach
- Elks Lodge #1912, 14111 E. Parsley Drive, Madeira Beach
- ROC Park, 200 Rex Place, Madeira Beach
- John's Pass Village Boardwalk

Boats will be judged, and prizes awarded in several categories including the People's Choice Award. Spectators can cast their vote for their favorite boat at any of the prime viewing locations. Property owners along the parade route can get in on the winning too with the Best Backyard Watch Party contest. Boat captains will cast their vote for the best party on shore with the property owner winning a 50" 4K digital television.

For more information visit the Veteran's Boat Parade [website](#) or contact Curt Preisser, City of Madeira Beach Public Information Officer at 727-391-9951 x299 or [cpreisser@madeirabeachfl.gov](mailto:cpreisser@madeirabeachfl.gov).