

Maine State Pier

Portland Schooner – Take a sail on a historic schooner at 10:30 am or 1:00 pm. Free admission for a child accompanied by an adult when you show your WTWW Map! Tickets can be purchased at the Portland Schooner Dock House on the State Pier on the day of the Walk and will be first come, first served until sold out.

City of Portland Fireboat – Tour the fireboat and talk to the firefighters who keep Casco Bay Island residents connected to Portland's emergency services!

CASCO BAY LINES AND PUBLIC RESTROOMS

Buoy Park

 Information Table and WTWW Maps

Casco Bay Estuary Partnership – Learn about their work to conserve the ecological integrity of the Casco Bay Watershed. CBEP is a program of the US EPA's National Estuary Program. Come and see their touch tank and meet some creatures of the Bay, learn who might be an invasive specie to our waters.

Maine Coast Fishermen's Association – Learn how the MCFA works to enhance the sustainability of Maine's community-based fisheries and restoration of the Gulf of Maine.

Friends of Casco Bay – Learn how you can help the Team at FOCB work to improve and protect the health of the Bay and about the work of the Casco Bay Keeper.

One Climate Future Team – Visit with the Team which is comprised of the Portland and South Portland Sustainability Offices. Learn about the Cities' joint climate action plan and the regional planning efforts to ensure our port and waterfronts can respond, adapt and thrive with new climate stresses.

Waterfront Alliance – Stop by and learn about this volunteer organization committed to protecting and promoting the Port of Portland and the working waterfronts of South Portland and Portland.

Maine Coastal Program – A program within the Maine State Department of Marine Resources, MCP is part of the National Coastal Zone Management Program with the mission to protect, restore, and responsibly develop Maine's diverse coastal communities and resources. Stop by and make a pledge to reduce your plastic use impact and get your *Trash Free Sea Begins With ME* sticker!

Maine Wharf

Casco Bay Artisans – Visit the gallery and see their showcase of amazing seascapes and sculptures depicting Maine's oceanic beauty and bounty.

Upstream Trucking – Take a tour of the facility and see how they process fresh wholesale fish for distribution to Maine's best seafood restaurants.

Bangs Island Mussels – Visit one of Maine's leading growers of mussels and kelp. Tour their waterfront processing facility and learn how mussels are cleaned, packed and taken directly to the market!

Custom House Wharf

Nanuq Kayaking – The door is open to visit and experience the unique opportunity to see and learn about high-performance sea kayaks, gear and touring. They offer gear and intermediate to advanced kayak lessons.

Harbor Fish Market – Drop by the iconic wooden waterfront market building which dates back to the 1800's and enjoy some fresh seafood samples!

Portland Pier

Luke's Lobster – Join Luke's Lobster Team for a tour of their operation at the end of the pier, learn about their lobster buying station and the lobster industry. This is a great location to grab a bite and enjoy the views of Casco Bay.

Rocky Bottom Fisheries/Tours – Visit their shop for an opportunity to meet a local lobsterman, see a demonstration on how a lobster trap works and tour their facility. Tickets for their daily lobster tours can be purchased at rockybottomfisheries.com/tours-pricing.

Long Wharf

DiMillo's – Walk down Long Wharf, have a glimpse of the iconic floating restaurant and sample their famous clam chowder outside the restaurant starting at 12:00 pm, while supplies last.

Widgery Wharf

Widgery Wharf – Built in the late 1700's it is a great opportunity to walk down to the entrance of Portland's oldest traditional working wharf and see the shacks, lobster traps, nets, buoys and working gear used by the lobster fishing community.

Union Wharf

New England Marine Monitoring – Visit the New England Marine Monitoring facility and learn how they combine video monitoring, AI technology and offshore experience to supply marine organizations with cutting edge solutions for fisheries data collection and other projects. (New to WTWW)

Union Wharf Market – Walk participants are invited to visit this wonderful local waterfront grocery store and cafe and sample their local made crackers and dips when they show their WTWW map!

Merrill's Wharf

The Desert – It is worth a look at this important part of the working waterfront where you can view commercial vessels. Here is where the working vessels tie up, gear is laid out for cleaning and repair and preparations are done for heading back out to sea.

Portland Fish Exchange – Tour the Exchange and learn from the staff about America's first all-display fresh seafood auction that opened in 1986.

Maine Innovative Gear Library – The MIGL is a collaborative effort lead by Maine DMR to collect data from Maine fishermen on system performance of new gear technologies. MIGL staff will be demonstrating how the new gear functions and why.



SATURDAY • MAY 31ST • 2025



COMMERCIAL STREET, PORTLAND, ME
SELF GUIDED WATERFRONT WALK - 11 AM TO 3 PM



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Portland Fish Pier

Portland Harbor Master – Meet the Portland Harbor Master and Deputy Harbor Master, learn about their work and tour the Harbormaster's vessel!

Eimskip and Maine Port Authority – Shipping Container Demonstration and Water Station. Come meet the MPA and Eimskip team, walk inside a shipping container, rehydrate with some Icelandic water and learn about Portland Maine's Cold Chain Logistics Hub!

Seafarers' Friends – Stop by their table, enjoy a free snack and drink, and meet the organization that has been supporting seafarers and the maritime community in New England since 1827! Learn about their new expanded Welcome Center on Commercial Street which opened in 2024.

Wrights Wharf

U.S. Coast Guard – Our neighborhood Coast Guard is inviting visitors to tour the USCGC Sturgeon, an 87' Protector-Class Patrol Boat and the 140' USCGC Thunder Bay, an icebreaking tug! There will be information tables that will cover the many aspects of the US Coast Guard including CG Auxiliary, Law Enforcement, Pollution Response and Recruitment.

Gulf of Maine Research Institute – GMRI is opening its doors and outdoor lawn and inviting folks to interact with their experts on aquaculture, coastal economics, sustainable seafood, and more! Visitors are able to participate in a virtual trap sorting exercise in their renowned Cohen Center for Interactive Learning and get an up-close look at one of their research vessels. There is something for everyone!.

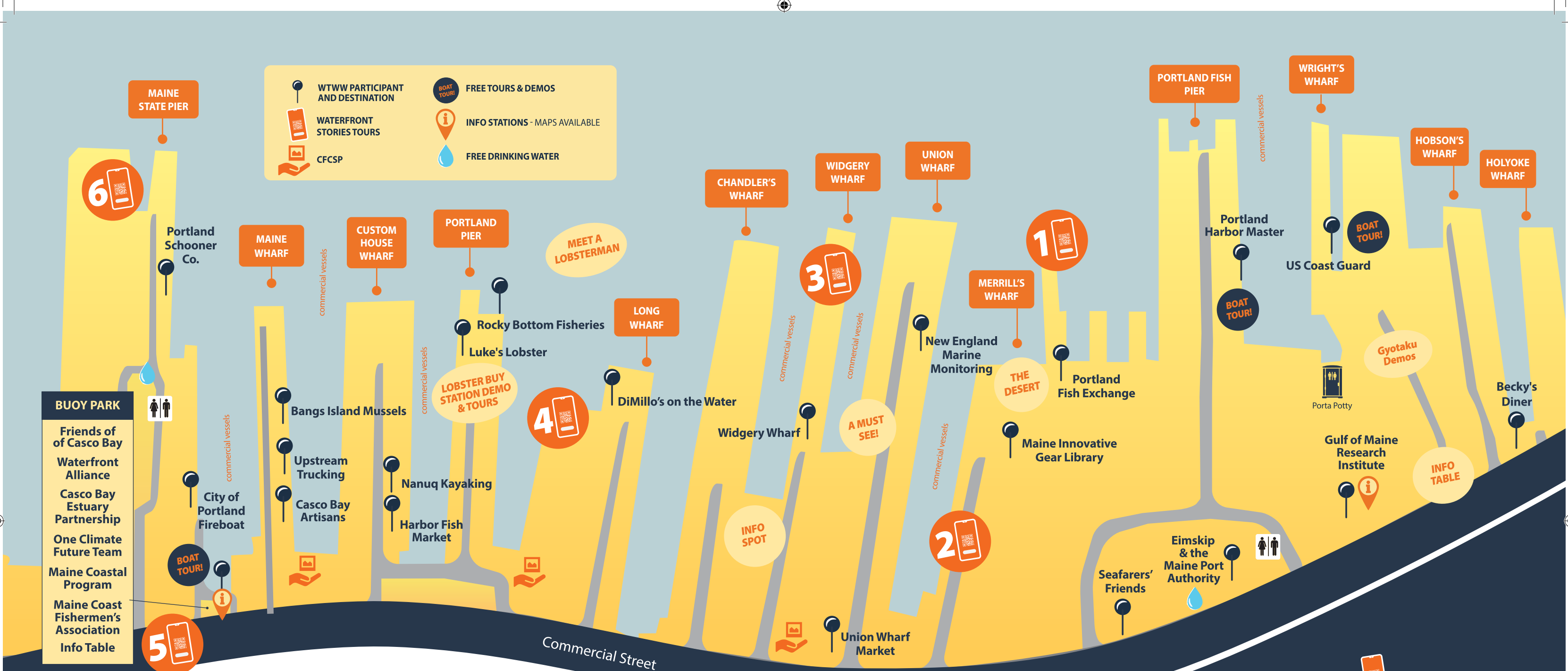
Gyotaku Demonstration – Artist Nate Garrett is holding demonstrations on Gyotaku, the art of fish printing, on the lawn of GMRI. Participants will be invited to make a print on a souvenir WTWW cotton bag.

 Information Table, WTWW Maps

Hobson's Wharf

Becky's Diner – Becky's is the world-famous Portland Diner and a favorite morning stop for waterfront workers. Stop by and show your WTWW map and get a free sample of their freshly baked cookies.





EXPLORE THE PIERS AND WHARVES

Walk the Working Waterfront is a self-guided walking tour that proudly celebrates the diversity of people, businesses and infrastructure that comprise the heart of Portland's protected waterfront community. Now in its 10th year, this annual event encourages visitors to explore the piers and wharves of Commercial Street, engage in boat tours and other activities and sample ocean sourced foods. Join us for WTWW and learn more about our unique and resilient historic waterfront.

This walking map highlights key attractions and activities for you to stop by and participate in. As always, the walking portion of the day is **FREE AND OPEN TO ALL**, this includes walking tours of the historic waterfront, tours of the Coast Guard vessels and the Portland Fire Boat, as well as demonstration and education stations.



General Information

Saturday, May 31st, 2025 – Portland Waterfront 11 am. to 3 pm.

Porta-Potty facilities located in the Gulf of Maine Research Institute parking lot.
Restrooms provided by the City of Portland at Casco Bay Lines and on Cotton Street.
Maps Available at Info Tables.

Visit www.walktheworkingwaterfront.com for more information and updates!

Safety First

Proceed on all piers and wharves at your own risk. And PLEASE be safe, respectful, and courteous of all participants in Walk the Working Waterfront!

Waterfront Stories Tour

Waterfront stories are brief illustrated narratives on working waterfront topics produced for the Waterfront Alliance in 2017, created by Galen Koch. At each stop on the Stories Tour you can listen to a selected narrative that is informative about the location and can be accessed by using your phone camera by scanning the QR code on the location poster.

What Is CFCSP?

Contribute your observations to GMRI's Coastal Flooding Community Science Project (CFCSP) – Find the three posted signs along Commercial Street inviting you to **share** your pictures and observations on the weather, water level, and impact concerns associated with localized coastal flooding. **Help** your community gather data around high tides and storms, anytime, all year long! This data will inform and prioritize future decisions to support coastal community resilience planning.