



AT LAKE ERIE METROPARK

SHIPPING OUT

Sign on for a voyage into the world of Great Lakes shipping! As the E/V Clinton heads toward the shipping channels across Lake St. Clair or the lower Detroit River, you will learn about lakers and salties, legendary sailors, and shipwrecks. With some luck, you might even get up close and personal to a thousand-footer or two along the way. Wear your Old Spice!

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 2 • Thursday • 2 p.m.
August 12 • Saturday • 6 p.m

NIGHT WATCH

Join the crew of the E/V Clinton on a late evening cruise and learn about navigating under the stars using charts, lights, and the heavens themselves. The cruise will take us through the history of navigation, from the discovery of latitude and longitude to today's Loran and GPS systems. As darkness descends, we will set

sail for lighthouses, search the heavens for constellations and use the North Star to help guide us to our home port.

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 4 • Saturday • 9 p.m.
August 8 • Wednesday • 9 p.m.
August 10 • Friday • 9 p.m.

WIND, WAVES AND WEATHER

The Great Lakes influence our weather, and the weather can have a great influence on the Great Lakes. Join NOAA National Weather Service meteorologists on a cruise that explores the wind, waves, and weather.

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 9 • Thursday • 10 a.m

RIVER OF TIME

Cruising among the lower Detroit River Islands, we search the human stories that shaped the history of her waters. From Native Americans and early European explorers to military forts, massive

engineering projects, and stories of yesterday, this cruise is a time travel experience — without the jet lag!

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 3 • Friday • 2 p.m.
August 5 • Sunday • 6 p.m.
August 9 • Thursday • 6 p.m.
August 12 • Sunday • 10 a.m.

SHIPWRECK AT SUGAR

Just under the waves off a crumbling Sugar Island dock lie the remains of a vessel sunk in 1945. Travel with us to the wreck site to learn about the S.S. Seabreeze, the story of how it got there, and the circumstances surrounding its mysterious sinking.

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August 8 • Wednesday • 6 p.m.



REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL CRUISES

Payment required at time of registration. Child Price is for ages 17 and younger. Register on-line with credit card (Visa or MasterCard) at www.discoverycruises.org, at the Lake Erie Metropark cash, check or charge) by calling 734-379-5020. For more information, please call 734-379-5020. Vehicle Entry Fee Required: \$35 Annual, \$21 Seniors, \$10 Daily

BOB-LO ISLAND HISTORY

Join this fascinating tour around Bob-Lo Island — Detroit's island playground of the 20th century. Cruise participants will explore the critical role the island played in the lives of Native Americans and Canadians, French coureurs de bois, British military, Detroit's upper class and the millions of people who escaped to Bob-Lo's amusement park for a one-day holiday for nearly 100 years. Share island anecdotes and illustrations from Summer Dreams — The Story of Bob-Lo Island, recognized by the Library of Michigan as a Notable Book of 2009. Feel free to bring along your own Bob-Lo stories and souvenirs as we cruise back in time to the "Greatest Spot On Earth."

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 4 • Saturday • 6 p.m.
August 10 • Friday • 6 p.m.
August 12 • Sunday • 2 p.m.

WARFARE ON THE WATERFRONT

The War of 1812, World War II, and even the American Civil War have all shaped the Detroit River and western Lake Erie. Long after the end of hostilities, remnants of this military presence can still be found. Join an Interpreter for an in-depth look at these conflicts, their sites and stories, and see how they impacted the region and the world.

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August 9 • Thursday • 2 p.m.

EAGLE'S EYE NATURE

Take a naturalist's tour of the lower Detroit River to discover the rich variety of plant and animal life living here in this area, now a part of the International Wildlife Refuge. The river is host to a wide variety of habitats, from submerged plant beds and shoals to coastal marshes. And yes, we know where the Bald Eagle nests are!

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 1 • Wednesday • 6 p.m.
August 5 • Sunday • 2 p.m.
August 8 • Wednesday • 2 p.m.
August 11 • Saturday • 6 p.m.

MICHIGAN MYSTERIES

Set sail on an adventure to solve some of the mysteries surrounding the Great Lakes, from mysterious disappearances to mythical beasts.

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 3 • Friday • 10 a.m.
August 11 • Saturday • 2 p.m.

JOURNEY THROUGH THE STRAITS - UPBOUND

Board the E/V Clinton for a fantastic five-hour voyage. As the Clinton travels in the wake of both the early Great Lakes voyageurs and present day sailors, we'll explore the Straits of Detroit.

Fee: \$35/adult; \$25/child
June 14 • Thursday • 10 a.m.
August 16 • Thursday • 10 a.m.

BIG RIVER MEANDER

Enjoy an extended four-hour cruise to explore the natural and cultural history of the Lower Detroit River and its islands. Our journey around the north end of Grosse Ile and into Canadian waters will provide ample opportunities to view manmade structures such as the swing bridges, navigation lights, and passing ships, as well as observe bird life, discuss aquatic ecology, and explain why the Detroit River is not really a river at all. Along the way, we'll meet up with Mama Juda and find out who put the "Fight" into Fighting Island. This one has it all.

Fee: \$30/adult; \$20/child
August 4 • Saturday • 10 a.m.
August 10 • Friday • 10 a.m.

WHISKEY RIVER

During National Prohibition, the Detroit River was better known as the "Whiskey River" due to the incredible amount of illegal hootch that crossed over it from Canada. Let's revisit the bad old days when rumrunners ruled and dry laws were meant to be broken. We'll look at the lower river through the eyes of a bootlegger and spin a few yarns sure to put your truth meter on alert.

Fee: \$25/adult; \$15/child
August 5 • Sunday • 10 a.m.
August 8 • Wednesday • 10 a.m.

SHIPWRECKS!

See how the latest technology in shipwreck identification is used to discover wrecks as we investigate the remains of a sunken mystery ship. Along the way we'll explore historic shipwrecks and the lighthouses built to help prevent them. Bring along your diving bell as we delve into the realm of underwater archaeology.

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