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DISCOVER MARINA DEL REY SET FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7th

MARINA DEL REY, CALIF. – October 1, 2012 - *Discover Marina del Rey 2012,* a free community and family-oriented event, will take place on Sunday, October 7, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Burton Chace Park. This year's event offers a new recreational boat show and activities for every member of the family, from children's rides and games, to watercraft lessons, to helpful information on recreational boating, health, safety and the environment.

Discover Marina del Rey is sponsored by Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe and the Department of Beaches and Harbors. Guests are invited to view the exciting and popular air-sea rescue demonstration by the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary in the Marina's main channel at noon and enjoy live music by the Susie Hansen Latin Band from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Additional children's attractions include performances throughout the day by the Bob Baker Marionettes, a unique arts and crafts workshop by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation, jumpers, games, and much more.

Beaches and Harbors' W.A.T.E.R. Youth Program staff will offer leisure kayaking in the main channel for children and adults, and a standup paddle boarding clinic will be presented by Action Watersports. Other event attractions include:

- The Los Angeles County Natural History Museum's Seamobile will provide a hands-on learning experience exploring the ocean off the California coast through a simulated marine environment.
- New York Life Insurance Company will provide free Child Identification Cards and offer fun activities to parents and children, while teaching important lessons about how to stay safe at home, at play and in the community.
- The Marina del Rey Anglers will sponsor youth fishing off the Chace Park fishing dock for visitors ages 7 to 15.

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• A pumpkin patch, where children can pick their own miniature pumpkins.

New this year – *Discover Marina del Rey* will host a boat show with marine-related exhibitors providing information about marine services, yacht clubs and everything you need to know about accessing the water in Marina del Rey. In-water displays of power boats and sailboats will be offered for public viewing with yacht brokers providing information on a variety of vessels.

Although admission to *Discover Marina del Rey* is free, some activities and attractions, such as choosing a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch, will require the purchase of a \$5 wristband. Food is also available for purchase at the park's Hornblower Café.

Burton Chace Park is located at 13650 Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey. Event parking is available for \$8 in Los Angeles County lots #77 and #4 located at 13560 and 13500 Mindanao Way respectively.

For event information, visit marinadelrey.lacounty.gov or visit the Department's Facebook site at Facebook.com/LACDBH.

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