

WHAT'S ON DURING THE FESTIVAL

FORESHORE FRIDAY

30 June | Albany Boatshed 

Embrace the spirit of winter and join us for Foreshore Friday, the soul-warming opening event of the 2023 Maritime Festival! This magical evening brings together music, food and live music from emerging and established musicians. Come and experience what the Maritime Festival is all about.

ALL AT SEA SATURDAY

1 July | Albany Boatshed

All at Sea Saturday is a not to be missed event for families, featuring the annual Build-a-Boat Competition & Regatta, water-based 'Come & Try' activities, cooking demonstrations and a range of free activities including: virtual reality experiences, mermaids, cultural and educational displays and much, much more!

SONGS OF THE SEA

1, 8, 15 & 29 July | Albany Town Hall 

Prepare to be captivated by Songs of the Sea, a live music series showcasing the incredible musical talent of WA-based musicians. Taking place over four evenings at the iconic Albany Town Hall, this series is the perfect mid-winter night out.

BOATSHED MARKETS

Every Sunday | Albany Boatshed

Discover Albany's local talents at the Boatshed Markets, running every Sunday of the Maritime Festival. These markets showcase the best that Albany has to offer with artisan gifts, foods and more.

MARITIME YOUTH MARKETS

2 July | Albany Boatshed

Avast ye hearties! Make yer way down and feast yer eyes on the treasures crafted by Albany's very own talented young buccaneers, in this grand collaboration with the Boatshed Markets. Thar will be live music, scrumptious grub, and a jolly good time to be had by all!

MARITIME MOVIES

Every Thursday in July | Albany Town Hall 

Dive into a cinematic ocean adventure at Town Hall every Thursday in July. Enjoy two ocean-themed movies each week, starting with a kid-friendly film at 4.30pm, followed by an adult selection at 7.30pm.

6 July: **Moana** | **Castaway**

13 July: **Happy Feet** | **Titanic**

20 July: **Shark Tale** | **Jaws**

27 July: **Finding Nemo** | **Pirates of the Caribbean**

G + B EXHIBITION

8 to 27 July | Hilton Garden Inn Albany

The G + B Exhibition celebrates Great Southern artists, with works inspired by our maritime environment and all things green and blue. Get to know local creatives by visiting this specially curated exhibition and take home a piece or two!

MENANG MARITIME HISTORY EXPLORATION EVENINGS

3, 5, 11, July | Six Degrees 

Join Menang Elders and local historians as they explore ancient Menang culture and history and their long standing connection to the maritime environment.

FIN-TASTIC KITES

3 - 6 July | Vancouver Arts Centre 

Dive into the world of fish kites (Kionobori) and let your creativity soar. Design and create your own fish kite using colourful materials and step-by-step instructions. Perfect for school aged children, this workshop nurtures imagination, fine motor skills, and a love for the sea.

PIRATES & MERMAID PARTY

12, 24 July | Albany Leisure & Aquatic Centre

Ahoy, young adventurers! Join the fun for a swashbuckling Pirate and Mermaid Party! There will be plenty to play with and discover – look for hidden treasure or walk the plank if you dare... And don't forget to wear your favourite ocean-themed outfit!

MARITIME POOL PLAY

11 July | Albany Leisure & Aquatic Centre 

Ahoy, parents and little adventurers! Join in a memorable maritime experience at ALAC's leisure pool for a supervised session of pool play with your little ones. Suitable for children aged 2 - 5 years. Parental supervision in the water required.

THE ALBANY SHANTYMEN: BACK AT THE TOWN HALL

22 July | Albany Town Hall 

Join The Albany Shantymen for a night of foot stomping sea shanties and musical merriment as they celebrate the release of their latest album *Live at the Town Hall*. This rowdy bunch of local Albany men pay homage to the merchant sailors of old with rhythmic choruses and rousing solos to stir the blood and soothe the soul.

THE MAGICAL WEEDY SEADRAGON

30 June & 1 July | Albany Entertainment Centre 

Breaksea presents a brand new children's show: The Magical Weedy Seadragon. What happens when a child finds a magical seadragon washed up on shore? Developed over a 4-month period with primary school children from across the Great Southern, the performance features live music, quirky characters and a sprinkling of magic.

HILTON SUNDAY SESSIONS

9, 16, 23 July | Hilton Garden Inn Albany

Listen to some of Albany's best musical offerings at the Hilton Garden Inn Albany Sunday Sessions. Enjoy a drink, surrounded by the artworks of the G + B Exhibition and be serenaded by local musicians in one of Albany's prime sunset viewing locations. Each Sunday Session will feature a different performer.

LOCAL HISTORY MARITIME TALKS

20, 22, 27 July | Albany Public Library 

Join Adam Wolfe, maritime archaeologist and historian, for an exploration into lighthouses, maritime mapping and Albany's whaling heritage.

SHANTIES & SHANDIES

22 July | Albany Town Hall 

Experience tales of the sea at Shanties & Shandies, a free event exclusively for seniors. Join The Albany Shantymen for an afternoon of nautical inspired music. Indulge in a late afternoon tea while enjoying a selection of shandies.

ALBANY'S HISTORIC WHALING STATION

Various dates in July | Frenchman Bay 

Discover a range of interactive exhibits and activities for all ages to enjoy throughout the Maritime Festival!

-  **Monotype Printing Workshops**
This three-hour creative workshop highlights the boundless expression of printmaking.
-  **3D Wooden Boat Activity**
Join the crew for a fun craft activity decorating your own 3D wooden sailboat.
-  **Sealed Souls – Book Signing & Talk**
Join author John Robertson as he takes you on an historic journey back to the early colonial times when sealing was the first industry in Australia.
-  **Meet-a-Whaler**
As you explore the site you may bump into in a real life past whaler. Hear firsthand stories from their time working for the Cheynes Beach Whaling Company.
-  **Our Blue Backyard - Photographic Exhibition**
An exhibition of our amazing oceans through the eyes of Albany photographer, Kaylah Tugwell highlight the simple beauty of beach finds.

ALBANY SHELLFISH HATCHERY TOURS

5, 8, 12, 15 July | Frenchman Bay 

Pull on some gumboots and make the world your oyster at one of the Maritime Festival's exclusive Albany Shellfish Hatchery Tours! Discover the regions sustainable aquaculture industry at this state-of-the-art facility. These tours will amaze curious young minds. Places are limited so bookings are essential.

OCEAN DREAMSCAPE: A WINDOW INTO UNDERWATER WONDERS

1 - 31 July | Museum of the Great Southern 

Dive into this mesmerizing underwater wonderland created by the Museum's Art Ability participants. This captivating installation brings an underwater paradise to life with a kaleidoscope of colours and creatures and let nature's beauty unfold before your eyes.

SPACEFEST

29 July | White Star Hotel Albany 

Spacefest returns for its second instalment, with a huge line-up of renowned live bands, electronic artists, and DJs from all over the state. Like the maritime ocean, space is a great expanse. Being out in space and out on the open ocean are very similar concepts which make an individual feel incredibly small but incredibly powerful. Spacefest will be a totally unique experience - you need to live it to know.

MARITIME MENU MAP

Throughout July | Various Locations

Albany's local businesses are showcasing the region's unique produce and providores throughout July in the Maritime Menu Map. This delicious trail will lead you on a culinary adventure around the City and broader region, with each participating hospitality venue hosting a special Maritime Menu delicacy during the length of the Maritime Festival.

TREASURE TRAIL FOR KIDS

Throughout July | Various Locations

Ready for an exciting quest to a hidden treasure? Follow the Treasure Trail to uncover the maritime bounty! Pick up your Treasure Trail Passport from the Albany Town Hall from Saturday, 1 July.