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EYC Lights Parade is December 13!
Boat Entry Forms are LIVE
New Prizes & Great Cause

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Get ready, Annapolis! One of the best nights of the year happens Saturday, December 13: The 43rd Annual Eastport Yacht Club Lights Parade. Dozens of boats in all shapes and sizes covered in thousands of lights cruise the harbor for two magical hours to the delight of tens of thousands of jolly spectators.

Ahoy, it's time to fill out your Boat Entry Form!

Whether a Skipper is running a classic yacht, a fishing boat, or a small skiff, this is their chance to shine. All parade boats are winners, but this year's parade will feature new prize categories designed to welcome first-time and emerging Skippers while still celebrating creativity at all levels. The Entry Form is now live, Skippers should let the Parade Team know they want to join the fun at EYCLightsParade.org/Skippers/

This year parade light will shine all through 2026 as parade net proceeds will benefit EYC Foundation. EYCF inspires and supports hundreds of local students every year through annual programs like Junior Sailing Scholarships, STEM on the Water for 5th graders, a high school Marine & Maritime Career Expo at a working boatyard, and Marine & Maritime Scholarships to trade schools and colleges.

"Every year, the Lights Parade captures the magic of the season and the unique spirit of our community," said Nancy Sheeder, Lights Parade Co-Chair. "We're excited to welcome new participants, highlight small-boat skippers, and give back to the next generation of sailors and maritime leaders through the EYC Foundation."

Businesses can help light up Annapolis by becoming a sponsor and aligning their company with this beloved event and worthy cause. Many levels to choose from including customizable options to fit all interests and budgets. Get details at EYCLightsParade.org/Sponsors/

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