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# 2026 schedule

**DECEMBER 1-3** Nashville, TN

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

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| 7:30 am - 6:00 pm | Registration | Halls C/D Pre-Function |
| 8:00 am - 4:00 pm | Exhibitor Move-in | Halls C/D |
| **8:00 am - 12:00 pm** | **PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP AND LUNCH HR Bootcamp. Essential Employee Relations: Handbook, Hiring, Discipline, Termination & Harassment** *Sponsored by Waterfront Brands* *(separate $100 registration required; limited to 100 attendees)* | **Room 206** |
| 12:00 - 7:00 pm | Luggage & Coat Check | Halls C/D Pre-Function |
| **12:00 pm** | **COFFEE BAR** *Sponsored by Marina Dock Age* | **Room 209 Pre-Function** |
| **12:30 - 1:30 pm** | **OPENING SESSION Insurance for Marinas: A Look into the Future** | **Room 209** |
| **1:45 - 2:30 pm** | **ADA: Making Accessibility Work for You - It's More Than The Law and Can Enhance Revenue** | **Room 209** |
| | **Dead Money: Don't Let Bad Capital Investments Kill Future Income and Value** | **Room 208** |
| **2:45 - 3:30 pm** | **Climate Resilience Without Overbuilding: Practical Marina Planning for Changing Water Levels, Storms and Ice** | **Room 209** |
| | **New Revenue Opportunities for Marinas: Ideas That Are Working** | **Room 208** |
| **3:45 - 4:30 pm** | **Stand Your Ground** | **Room 209** |
| | **We Build Boaters™** | **Room 208** |
| **4:30 pm** | **WELCOME RECEPTION & EXHIBIT PREVIEW** *Sponsored by Marina Development, Inc.* | **Halls C/D** |
| **5:15 pm** | **PRODUCT DEMO: SkyWeb Networks, Inc.** | **Booth 417** |
| **5:45 pm** | **PRODUCT DEMO: Permafloat® (Roto Marine Products® by Cellofoam®)** | **Booth 241** |
| **6:15 pm** | **PRODUCT DEMO: Marina Development, Inc.** | **Booth 635** |

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

*Education Sponsored by Elite Dynamics*

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| 8:30 am - 5:00 pm | Registration | Halls C/D Pre-Function |
| **9:00 am - 5:00 pm** | **EXHIBIT HOURS** | **Halls C/D** |
| **9:00 am** | **COFFEE BAR** *Sponsored by Golden Boatlifts & Marine Systems* | **Halls C/D Lounge** |
| **9:15 am** | **PRODUCT DEMO: Golden Boatlifts & Marine Systems** | **Booth 507** |
| **9:30 am - 10:15 am** | **Keep the Marina Open: Smart Resilience Upgrades Without Losing a Season** | **Halls C/D - Port** |
| | **Succession by Design** | **Halls C/D - Starboard** |
| **10:45 am** | **PRODUCT DEMO: TieDown Marine** | **Booth 823** |
| **11:15 am - 12:00 pm** | **Coverage Gaps: What You Don't Know Can Cost You** | **Halls C/D - Port** |
| | **Content Creators in the Marine Space: How to Brand and Monetize a Passion** | **Halls C/D - Starboard** |
| **12:00 - 1:00 pm** | **LUNCH** *Sponsored by Scribble Software, Inc.* | **Halls C/D - Main Stage** |

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| 12:45 pm | PRODUCT DEMO: Elite Dynamics | Booth 227 |
| 1:15 - 2:00 pm | Anchor the Culture: Building a Safety-First Marina Community | Halls C/D - Port |
| | From Chaos to Control: How to Stop Hiring in Panic Mode | Halls C/D - Starboard |
| 2:00 pm | ICE CREAM SOCIAL *Sponsored by Sea Land Insurance* | Booth 740 |
| 2:00 pm | BEVERAGE BREAK *Sponsored by Permafloat® (Roto Marine Products® by Cellofoam®)* | Halls C/D Lounge |
| 2:15 pm | PRODUCT DEMO: Marine Concepts | Booth 127 |
| 2:45 - 3:30 pm | Beyond the Buzz: Practical AI for Smarter Marina Operations | Halls C/D - Port |
| | Creating a Preventive Mindset with Your Team | Halls C/D - Starboard |
| 3:45 pm | PRODUCT DEMO: Marina Partners | Booth 837 |
| 4:00 - 5:00 pm | HAPPY HOUR *Sponsored by Golden Giant and Sharper MMS* | Halls C/D |

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

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| 8:30 am - 1:00 pm | Registration | Halls C/D Pre-Function |
| 8:30 am - 1:30 pm | Luggage & Coat Check | Halls C/D Pre-Function |
| 9:00 am - 1:00 pm | EXHIBIT HOURS | Halls C/D |
| 9:00 am | COFFEE BAR | Halls C/D Lounge |
| 9:00 am | BLOODY MARY BAR *Sponsored by EZ Dock and Marina Electrical Equipment* | Halls C/D Lounge |
| 9:15 - 10:00 am | Beyond the Water's Edge: Connecting Harbors to Communities Through Integrative Design of Marinas, Uplands, Parks and Architecture | Halls C/D - Port |
| | 2026 Industry Survey | Halls C/D - Starboard |
| 10:00 am | BEVERAGE BREAK *Sponsored by Permafloat® (Roto Marine Products® by Cellofoam®)* | Halls C/D Lounge |
| 10:15 am | PRODUCT DEMO: Slammer Marine | Booth 323 |
| 10:30 - 11:15 am | Structural Materials: Balancing Cost, Longevity and Performance in Marina Design | Halls C/D - Port |
| | From Marina Data to Revenue: Turning Operational Insight into Commercial Performance | Halls C/D - Starboard |
| 11:30 am - 12:45 pm | AWARDS LUNCH & CLOSING SESSION *Sponsored by Meeco Sullivan* | Halls C/D - Main Stage |
| 1:00 - 7:00 pm | Exhibitor Move-Out | Halls C/D |