



In 2012 the Texas Dragon Boat Association will host

# 2nd Annual EDGEWATER Dragon Boat Challenge

in Webster, Texas

Saturday, March 31, 2012

8:30am – 4:30pm

## **U-18 Category**

Ages: 11-18 years old  
Gender: at least 8 female  
paddlers & 8 male paddlers per  
team

**New!**

## **U-14 Category**

Ages: 11-14 years old  
Gender: at least 8 female paddlers  
& 8 male paddlers per team;



## ***Never heard of Dragon Boat Racing?***

It's like an elongated canoe with 20 paddlers and a drummer accompanied by a trained steersperson. The vessel measures 41 feet in length and 4 feet in width featuring the head and tail of a dragon.

Dragon Boating is a traditional Chinese festival event dating back to 277 B.C., known for its color, sound and excitement. It emphasizes synchronization, teamwork, and a combined effort of the entire team to race in three 250-meter heats. With a taste of Asian culture and other games to play between races, you can't miss this exhilarating competition.

It's easy – just a 1-hour practice, and you're set to race!



It's an all-day family festival and it's helping our community realize a dream – to help youth and raise funds towards building a boathouse in downtown Houston and in Fort Bend County.

Past Youth Teams include: Communities In Schools, Awty International School, Beresford School, Chinese Youth Society, Clear Lake High School, Clements High School, Dulles High School, FACOST Youth, KIPP Academy, Houston Academy of International Studies, Dulles High School, San Jacinto Girl Scouts, St. John's Upper & Middle Schools

So, are you ready to join a dynamic team? Choose a category to race in and contact Eve Ruhlman at [director@texasdragonboat.com](mailto:director@texasdragonboat.com)



## Sponsor Benefits

**Sponsorship Amount: \$500 (by early registration deadline of February 21, 2012)\*  
\$600 (by registration deadline of March 21, 2012)\***

- Team entry for 25 team members
- One advance practice session (weather permitting)
- Name displayed as team sponsor on event program, event signage and link on our website at [www.texasdragonboat.com](http://www.texasdragonboat.com)
- Mention in Texas Dragon Boat Association press releases about the event
- Multiple announcements as a team sponsor on the day of the event
- Priority registration for the following year's Dragon Boat event

***Please note: In order to receive this discounted rate, all youth teams are required to provide one adult volunteer who will agree to be trained as a steersperson and/or coach - not just for this event but to help out in future youth-oriented dragon boat events.***



# Youth Photos from past Dragon Boat Events

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**Lion Dance Opening Ceremonies at the Gulf Coast International Regatta with Dancing Lions with Communities In Schools students looking on**



**Youth teams from Communities In Schools are getting ready to get on the Dragon Boats for their heat**



**Korean cultural performers were more than happy to meet some of the curious spectators**



## Youth Team Sponsorship Acceptance

We, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to become a Team Sponsor for  
\_\_\_\_\_ youth team on the March 31, 2012 at the 2nd Annual  
Edgewater Dragon Boat Challenge:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Edgewater Dragon Boat Challenge - **\$500** by the early registration deadline of February 21, 2012; **\$600** by March 21, 2012\*
- I will bring my own 10'x10' tent for my team  
**OR**
- I will bring my own 20'x20' tent for my team  
**OR**
- Our team would like to rent a tent for an additional \$150 fee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature For Acceptance

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address (Street)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Work Fax Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address (City, State, Zip)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Work Email

Please return this signed copy along with the team entry form and the sponsorship check to:

**Texas Dragon Boat Association**  
**P.O. Box 980972**  
**Houston, Texas 77098**

Or fax to: **(713) 490-2226**

Checks should be made payable to: **Texas Dragon Boat Association.**  
**Tax ID Number: 45-0499627**

\* Note the above deadlines to receive sponsor benefits.

*Texas Dragon Boat Association is a 501(c)(3) Texas non-profit corporation. In the event that Texas Dragon Boat Association shall be prevented from performing any of its obligations under the terms of this agreement by an act of God, by inclement weather (for example flash floods, excessive winds, tornados, hurricane, lightning, fire, etc.) or by the occurrence of any other event beyond its control, it shall be excused from any further performance of the obligations and undertakings set forth under the terms of this agreement. We regret that sponsorships are non-refundable. Sponsorships are limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis, with priority given for 2011 sponsors.*



## 2012 Challenge Youth Team Entry Form

Please fill out the following information and send these two pages (Team Entry Form & Sponsorship Acceptance) to **Texas Dragon Boat Association** at **P.O. Box 980972 Street, Houston, Texas 77098** or you can send a fax to **(713) 490-2226**. Sponsorships are limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis, with priority given for 2011 sponsors.

Official Corporate or Organization Name (as you would like to be recognized)\*

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Team Name (if different from above)\*

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**PLEASE FULLY COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:**

Team Managers: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization web page: \_\_\_\_\_

\*for printed event programs due by April 25, 2012

**Please write down any SPECIAL NOTES here:**