

**10th Annual Bangor
Paddle Smart Safety Symposium
For Beginner and Experienced Paddlers Alike!
Kicking off National Safe Boating Week!**

**Date: Friday, April 9, 2010 Time: 5-9:30 pm ,
Husson University, Newman Gym, Bangor**

An Informed Paddler is a Safer Paddler

The mission of Paddle Smart is to provide paddle sport safety education & information to our community and region, sharing our knowledge through demonstration and instruction while promoting stewardship of our waterways.

Greetings!

We hope you're enjoying all this winter snow which is going to bring awesome spring water! Here are all the details for kicking off National Safe Boating week with the **10th Annual Paddle Smart Safety Symposium**. We hope you can join in supporting this event.

This year's event is scheduled the week prior to the Kenduskeag Canoe Race so we will run a series of race related workshops. Please contact us **by Feb 18th with ideas and include them in your proposal!**

Old Town Canoe has Donated a 14 foot Manitou Kayak as a give away for this year's Raffle Event in support of the efforts of Paddle Smart. We will also be welcoming donations for table space from exhibitors at your discretion!

Thanks to the support we've had from individuals and organizations for the past ten years in offering "The Paddle Smart Safety Symposium," we've been able to meet our goal of reaching out to the paddling public (over 200 participants each year!) to inform them of the inherent dangers of the sport and to educate them in risk reduction, which we believe leads to enhanced enjoyment and reduces accidents! The focus of our event has been and continues to be SAFETY, focusing on what folks need to know to be safe. We believe that increased knowledge leads to better informed decision making!

We'd love to have you **share your important messages** with the paddling community at our event! We will be offering two outreach forums:
(1) **45 minute presentations** in classroom settings and the pool
(2) **interactive** table displays. (we are asking for folks to have some activity that conveys your message)

Please let us know if you and your organization will be interested getting your information out to the paddling community and helping us to create a safer paddling community in the upcoming season. We welcome your participation and ideas! The event is FREE to the public with suggested donations and space is also free to all exhibitors and volunteer presenters. This year we are asking exhibitors for table space donations at your discretion.

We are always looking for volunteer committee members to help get the event off the ground, so if you'd like to participate on the committee please don't hesitate to let us know!

Please complete the following confirmation page to give us a brief description of your presentation which focuses on some aspect of paddling safety to be submitted to the committee for consideration and what you will have as a display theme. Please include what supplies you may need when you arrive.

Thank you for your interest in this event!

Sincerely,

Paddle Smart Coordinators:

Karen Francoeur, Castine Kayak Adventures,

Brad Ryder, Epic Sports,

Al Johnson, U.S. Coast Guard,

Jeff Strout, Bangor Daily News,

Robert "Bryan" Hollis, US Coast Guard, Southwest

REGISTRATION FORM
PADDLE SMART SAFETY SYMPOSIUM 2010
APRIL 9, 5-9:30
Husson University, Bangor, Maine

PLEASE DOWNLOAD FORM, FILL OUT, SAVE, AND SEND BACK ATTACHED IN AN EMAIL

Yes! Our group would love to participate in the Paddle Smart Safety Symposium this year

No we will not be able to attend this year.

___ No. of Posters we can send you to help us promote the event/or download and print from the web at <http://castinekayak.com/psposter.pdf>

\$ _____ Donation Amount enclosed

Name _____

Organization Name _____

Address _____

email _____

Phone _____

Contact Person _____

Other members staffing your booth (for Name tags)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

*FYI: Each Exhibitor Will be provided with a 6 foot table and chairs, Please let us know if you will need electricity or any other needs. Presenters will be provided with a screen if necessary, Please provide any other necessary Audio Video that is necessary for your presentations.

1. Please Provide a written description of what you will be displaying

Please Provide a short detailed description of your Presentation for consideration.

Speakers Name: _____

Attach Speaker's Bio _____

*Attach JPEG of Speaker's Photo for our Web
Please Check off any items that you will be needing

Electrical outlet

Wall space (we can only tape things to the walls... some displays will be in center area)

Other _____

Suggestions to improve this year's event???? We welcome your input!!

Visit the web for more info www.castinekayak.com/paddlesmart.htm

Please Fill in Form and email or mail back by Feb 18, 2010

Please return confirmation via email to castinekayak@gmail.com

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Questions? Call us at 207-866-3506

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