



FESTIVAL
OF THE SEA
ABERDEEN 15-28 JULY



Part of the build-up to Tall Ships Races Aberdeen 2025, and timed to coincide with the 'One Year To Go' campaign

Over 70 events, including 40 free or 'pay as you feel' events

2-day Stories of the Sea free festival weekend in Union Terrace Gardens

2-day Tall Ships experience at Port of Aberdeen

Partner organisations: Aberdeen Art Gallery, Aberdeen Maritime Museum, Open Road, Aberdeen Arts Centre, Aberdeen Science Centre, Aberdeen Sports Village, Port of Aberdeen, Beach Ballroom, Sea Cadets, Scottish Fisheries Museum Trust, The Swan Trust

Additional programme venues: Fittie Community Hall, Greyhope Bay Centre, Deemouth Artist Studios, Greyhope Community Hub

Funded by: Coastal Communities Fund

Full evaluation completed by end-August

Union Terrace Gardens Stories of the Sea

- Over 3000 attendees in 2 days



**STORIES
OF THE SEA**

Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 July 2024
11am – 4.30pm
Union Terrace Gardens – Free entry

Family activities, giant storytelling whale, street theatre performances and more!

Part of the Festival of the Sea Aberdeen
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Postive Social Media Response:

‘This was awesome! The performances were magical! Thank you for organising and to all the performers!’

‘Was there just now with my 4 year old. Amazing! We were both impressed and enjoyed every minute’

‘Was super busy and both of my kids really enjoyed it’



Tall Ships Experience

2-days of quayside activity

2251 visitors, of which 1806 boarded tall ship, Reaper, visiting from the Scottish Fisheries Museum.

Part of the One Year To Go campaign for Tall Ships 2025

Tall Ship, Swan, in harbour for a fortnight, taking potential youth trainees on day sail sessions

Sea Cadets flagship TS Royalist in Port with activities including a sailing trip for potential Tall Ships 2025 sponsors

Ahoy! 🚢 Three majestic ships are docking at our harbour as part of the Festival of the Sea and to mark 1 year until the 2025 Tall Ships Race. The tall ship Swan has sailed in today for youth training sessions, while the TS Royalist and sailing ship Reaper will both be available to view from the quayside. You'll also have the chance to board the Reaper on 19th & 20th July and explore its maritime past! Find out what else is happening during Festival of the Sea and plan your v... See more



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THE TALL SHIPS RACES
Aberdeen 2025

AHOY!
Climb aboard historic tall ship - The Reaper!

Fri 19 & Sat 20 July
Duthies Quay
11am - 5pm
Free admission

The Sea Cadets flagship TS Royalist will also be berthed nearby to view from the quayside!
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76 19 comments 45 shares



Tall Ships Experience

Reaper crew said:

‘We all thoroughly enjoyed our visit and were delighted by the very large turnout of members of the public who visited the Reaper [...] including the Group Big Noise Torry and the Torry Memories Group.

Our visit was made so much more pleasurable due to the level of support and positive attitude displayed by everyone that was involved’

