

Press Release – Friday, August 1

Sea battles, Lagmannsholmen development, Southern Norway's top talents, and the Hildebrandt finale

Welcome to Day 3 of The Tall Ships Races Kristiansand 2025! Once again, we've got a great mix of exciting activities, inspiring talks, and fantastic live music lined up.

Got a little Captain Sabeltann, Pinky or Sunniva at home? Don't miss the pirate show in the Guest Harbor at 6:45 PM – complete with smoke, noise and a full-on sea battle!

At 5 PM, kids can meet Klara and Gaute from KuToppen at the Children's Stage, hosted by Dyreparken (Zoo).

The Guest Harbor will also be buzzing all day with fun and engaging activities for children and youth.

👉 [Check out the full program here](#) (choose English)

Still haven't visited the historic ship *DS Hestmanden* at Pier 2, or the cultural school *Knuden*? Today's a great time to stop by. The official Tall Ships Races bike workshop, run by Sykkelbutikken in Vågsbygd, is also open – come by to test an e-bike and see if it's right for you.

Urban development

Interested in Kristiansand's urban development? Don't miss the event at *Amfibium* on Lagmannsholmen at 1 PM, where artists will offer a creative take on the transformation of the old container port into a vibrant city district. At 4 PM, City Planning Director Venke Moe will present what's next for the area – the biggest transformation in Kristiansand since the city was founded in 1641. That talk takes place at *Krutthuset*, also on Lagmannsholmen.

Press Boat – Friday at 11:00 AM

Media representatives are invited to view the ships from a press boat departing Friday, August 1 at 11:00 AM from *Fiskebrygga*, near Dolly Dimples. To join, send an SMS to + 47 408 70 417 by 10:00 AM Friday with your media outlet and number of seats requested.

Wedding on the Sørlandet Tall Ship

Today, the media is welcome to attend a wedding aboard the full-rigged ship *Sørlandet* at 2:00 PM.

We have arranged with the couple – Anna Bui and Sondre Rekdal – for photos and coverage of the ceremony.

The wedding will take place on deck, by the ship's wheel.

Closing night with live music and magic moments

We're wrapping up the third and final night of The Tall Ships Races in Kristiansand with music – and it's quite a lineup!

We kick off with ABBA tribute band *Supertrouper* on the Main Stage, followed by *South City Stompers* on the Fjord Line Stage. Then, musical director Bjørn Ole Rasch takes over the Main Stage with a star team of vocalists from Southern Norway.

Half an hour before midnight, *Naked Koala* repeats their stunning mast-top concert stunt on the *Sørlandet*, before the night ends in style with a midnight concert on top of Odderøya. This evening, Bjørn Hildebrandt and friends promise a magical summer night experience.

Don't forget the ships

And don't forget – all day long, you'll be able to see and photograph the beautiful tall ships taking part in this year's race. Some will also be open to visitors. A total of 48 ships from 16 countries – and around 2,000 young sailors – will be docked around Lagmannsholmen. 150 of the young sailors are from Southern Norway.

For details about transportation, opening hours, food and drink, payments, and more – check out our [FAQ](#) (choose English).

We look forward to seeing you – enjoy the day!