

Press Release - Thursday, July 31

Crew Parade, Southern Country, and Spectacular Mast Concerts

Welcome to the second day of The Tall Ships Races Kristiansand 2025! A new day packed with exciting activities, engaging talks, and fantastic concerts.

At the Guest Harbor, children will have the opportunity to try sailing. For children with physical disabilities, there will be a chance to try para-sailing.

On the Children's Stage in the Guest Harbor, there will be a treasure hunt by the Knuden Culture School, a show with Fire Bear Bjørnis, children's improv, a performance about the Setesdal ninja Ninjana, and science magic by the Science Center, to name a few.

See the full programme here (choose english)

## Press Boat - Thursday at 12:00 PM

The press will have the opportunity to view the ships from a press boat on Thursday, July 31. Departure from Fiskebrygga, near Dolly Dimples, at 12:00 PM.

Send a text message to +47 930 13 279 by Thursday at 11:00 AM, including the name of your media outlet and the number of spots you would like to reserve.

**Note!** At 3 PM, it's time for the grand crew parade – a colorful procession with costumes, dancing, music, and impressive uniforms. The parade starts at the Town Square and winds through the city streets to the festival area. Don't miss it!

In the evening, we offer Balkan jazz, big band swing, and Southern Norwegian country music, delivered by some of the most exciting voices in their genres. Then, the adventure band Naked Koala will take to the masts of the tall ship Sørlandet for a concert – hanging in the rigging!

The evening concludes with a midnight concert featuring Sofie Fjellvang and the Kristiansand Symphony Orchestra (KSO) from the top of Odderøya.

And hey! If you suddenly come across spontaneous performances of dance, music, acrobatics, theatre or other artistic surprises in the festival area, it's the Kultursommer youth from Samsen Culture House bringing the place to life!

Don't forget that throughout the day, you'll have the chance to get a closer look at the magnificent sailing ships participating in this year's Tall Ships Races. 48 ships from 17 different nations – with a total of 2,000 young trainees, including 150 from Southern Norway – will be docked around Lagmannsholmen. Some will be open to the public at times, while others can be admired and photographed from the quay.

For information about transportation, opening hours, food and drink, payment, or other practical matters, see the <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> (choose english)

Welcome - and enjoy!