

FISHERIES/AQUACULTURE--CATCH Seafood Festival Lands in Halifax

NOTE: Details on entertainment at the CATCH Nova Scotia Seafood Festival is available at www.novascotiaseafoodfestival.ca.

Nova Scotians will experience the smell of seafood, the sounds of live entertainment and the sights of the sea at the CATCH Nova Scotia Seafood Festival, June 27-28 at the Cunard Centre in Halifax.

The gourmet seafood festival will include live local musical performances featuring Celtic, jazz and contemporary pop. Performers will include GoodOnYa, Dave MacIsaac and Louie Benoit, Kate Quinn, and John Chiasson.

"CATCH will bring together seafood, entertainment and the fishing community for an all-inclusive event," said Sterling Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture. "Nova Scotians will taste, sing, see and hear all about the province's seafood this weekend."

Outside the venue at the dock, Captain David d'Eon and his three-man crew ranging in age from 21 to 53 will be on hand with their vessel, the Fundy Leader. The Fundy Leader is a 28 metre, 100 foot modern fishing trawler from Lower West Pubnico. The vessel's primary purpose is to fish for silver hake year-round.

"This vessel is a good example of a young, modern, quality-focussed fishery of the future," said Mr. Belliveau.

The festival also features a chef's competition, the Nova Scotia oyster shucking competition, Kid's cove, and the culinary theatre. Festival tasting experiences, including wine and local seafood are complimented by Source Local Marketplace, which will help people shop for local seafood.

Leading up to the festival, more than two dozen restaurants will add specialty meals to their menus as part of Dine Out Nova Scotia which continues until Friday, June 26.

The inaugural CATCH Seafood Festival is hosted by the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, and brings harvesters, producers, processors, restaurateurs and chefs together for an exceptional culinary seafood experience.

For more information and a list of events visit www.novascotiaseafoodfestival.ca.

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Fisheries and Aquaculture Minister Sterling Belliveau says it will be an opportunity to taste, sing, see and hear all about Nova Scotia's seafood.

The Fundy Leader, a 28-metre, 100-foot modern fishing trawler from Lower West Pubnico, will be on display at the dock during the event.

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For more information and a list of events visit W-W-W dot Nova Scotia seafood festival dot C-A .



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