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**BOSTON TEA PARTY SHIPSSM & MUSEUM PRESENTS
'REVELRY ON GRIFFIN'S WHARF'
DURING BOSTON'S 34TH HARBORFEST 2015**

A Bustling Colonial Griffin's Wharf Brought to Life with Activities for Kids of all Ages

BOSTON (May 20, 2015) - The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum, which tells the story of "the single most important event leading up to the American Revolution," is hosting *Revelry on Griffin's Wharf* in July 2015 as part of Boston Harborfest 2015, a hugely popular annual Fourth of July festival showcasing colonial and maritime heritage. Nearly 3 million people from all over the world come to historic Boston for the festival annually. Now in its 34th year, Boston Harborfest is considered to be the largest patriotic Independence Day celebration in the nation (www.bostonharborfest.com).

For three evenings on **July 2, 3 and 5, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. - 9 p.m.** (special evening hours) visitors are invited into the **Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum, situated over the same body of water where the Boston Tea Party took place more than 240 years ago**, where a bustling Griffin's Wharf is brought to life. Designed for children and adults, visitors will experience a traditional colonial wharf through hands-on activities and performances. This event will be taking place rain or shine!

Nautical demonstrations will be taking place on board the *Brig Beaver* and the *Eleanor*, replicas of two of the three ships that were part of the Boston Tea Party, including knot tying, throwing tea crates into Boston Harbor and whaling discussions. Live period music will be played and will include traditional sea shanties sing-a-long and dancing. The evening will also offer a host of colonial games along with a kids scavenger hunt. Visitors will meet and mingle with important historical Boston residents including John Hancock, Paul Revere and Samuel Adams along with Redcoats and the ships' captains and crew and much more!

Complimentary iced or hot tea and popcorn will be available throughout the evenings. Beer, wine clam chowder, pies, stews, sandwiches, cheese & crackers and an assortment of cookies along with many other items will be available for purchase in Abigail's Tea Room.

Dates: **THURSDAY, JULY 2, 2015**
 FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2015
 SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2015

Time: **7:00 p.m. - 9 p.m.**

Price: **\$15/adults**
 \$5/kids (aged 12 and under) - Kids aged 4 and under are FREE

Where: **306 Congress St. on the Congress St. Bridge --**
 Events taking place at Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum's
 Griffin's Wharf, on board the *Brig Beaver* and the *Eleanor* and in
 Abigail's Tea Room

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Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum Launches Presents 'Revelry on Griffin's Wharf' 2015/2

Advance ticket purchase is recommended. Tickets for *Revelry on Griffin's Wharf* can be secured by calling the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum at 1-617-338-1773 or can be purchased at the museum's ticket booths located at 306 Congress St. on the Congress Street Bridge in Fort Point Channel.

Discounted parking, with Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum ticket validation, is available at the Farnsworth Street Garage (17 Farnsworth St.) or the Stillings Street Garage (11 Stillings St) in Fort Point Channel.

ABOUT BOSTON TEA PARTY SHIPS & MUSEUM:

The Boston Tea Party, "the single most important event leading up to the American Revolution, occurred the night of Dec. 16, 1773. With the grand opening in June 2012, the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum, owned and operated by Historic Tours of America, is dedicated to accurately reliving and representing a key time in history (1773 to 1775). Through actors, tea throwing reenactments, high-tech interactive exhibits, authentic replica ships: the Beaver and the Eleanor and an award-winning multisensory film, *Let it Begin Here*. The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum is open 7 day/week from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Summer/Spring) and from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Fall/Winter). Tours run every 30 minutes in the fall/winter and every 15 minutes in the spring/summer and last 1 hr. Closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum was voted 'Best New Museum' by *Yankee* magazine in the '2012 Best of New England Issue' and 'Best of the New 2012' by *Boston Globe Magazine*. To learn more visit www.bostonteapartyship.com or call 1-855-(TEA)-1773. The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum is located at 306 Congress St. on the Congress St. Bridge, Boston, MA 02210.

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