

# 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Mission Reach Flotilla Fiesta

## Flotilla Water Parade & Costume Contest Rules

### Registration Application Process

- There will be no on-site registration for the costume contest. All contestants must register in advance of the event.
- Register online at <http://flotilla.sariverfound.org>
- Registrations are limited in number and will be received on a first-come first-served basis until Friday, April 12, 2019.
- Participants can sign up for 1 of 3 categories:
  - Dress Up Yourself
  - Dress Up You and Your Pet
  - Paddle Only (join the water parade, no dressing up)

**Registration must be completed by Friday April 12, 2019**

Contact Information provided will be used to provide details, logistics and parking information. Please make sure the e-mail address and phone number you provide are the best ways to reach you.

### Flotilla Water Parade General Rules:

- Safety first!
- Life jackets must be supplied by the participant.
- Children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
- Radios or any other electrical equipment are not allowed.
- Alcohol and/or bottled glass beverages are not allowed on the river.
- Motorized or inflatable watercrafts are not allowed on the river.
- Horse playing or splashing in the river is not allowed.
- Participants will be required to move their own vessel and decorations about 200 feet and down a slope from the unloading area to the paddling area. Event staff and volunteers may not be able to assist.

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### Costume Contest Rules:

- No decorations allowed on the canoes, kayaks, or paddleboards, and no part of the costume is allowed to touch the water during the paddling parade.
- Decorations may not prevent the wearer from safely paddling. Items too bulky, heavy, or inhibiting visibility will not be allowed on the water. For questions about permissible costumes, please contact Kim Garcia at 210.302.3200 or [kgarcia@sara-tx.org](mailto:kgarcia@sara-tx.org).
- No logos or other self-promotion is allowed on watercraft.
- This is a family-friendly event. Costumes must be tasteful for all viewing audiences.
- Clothing and shoes must be worn.
- The throwing of confetti, beads, candy, or party decorations in the river or to spectators is strictly prohibited.
- Life jackets are required for all participants regardless of age and must be worn at all times while on the water. Decorations can be attached to life jackets as long as they do not inhibit their function.
- Pets must sit fully on the watercraft and not swim alongside. If you have any questions about the appropriateness of your pet, please contact please contact Kim Garcia at 210.302.3200 or [kgarcia@sara-tx.org](mailto:kgarcia@sara-tx.org).

### Other Logistics:

**Distance:** Watercraft will begin upstream of VFW Blvd to start the parade. The parade will travel a distance of approximately 1km downstream to Padre Park. Watercraft will then travel 1km back upstream to disembark near to where they began. Participants will receive parking permits to park in the VFW lot to unload/load their paddling equipment. (see parade route map below)

**Time:** Drop off as early as 8:00am, watercraft must be on the water in the proper order (provided by Staff upon check-in) and ready for judging by 10:45am. Vessels will travel as a group downstream from 11:00am-11:30am. Then return upstream and loaded into vehicles. Awards for judged floats will be announced at 12:30pm on the Main Stage.

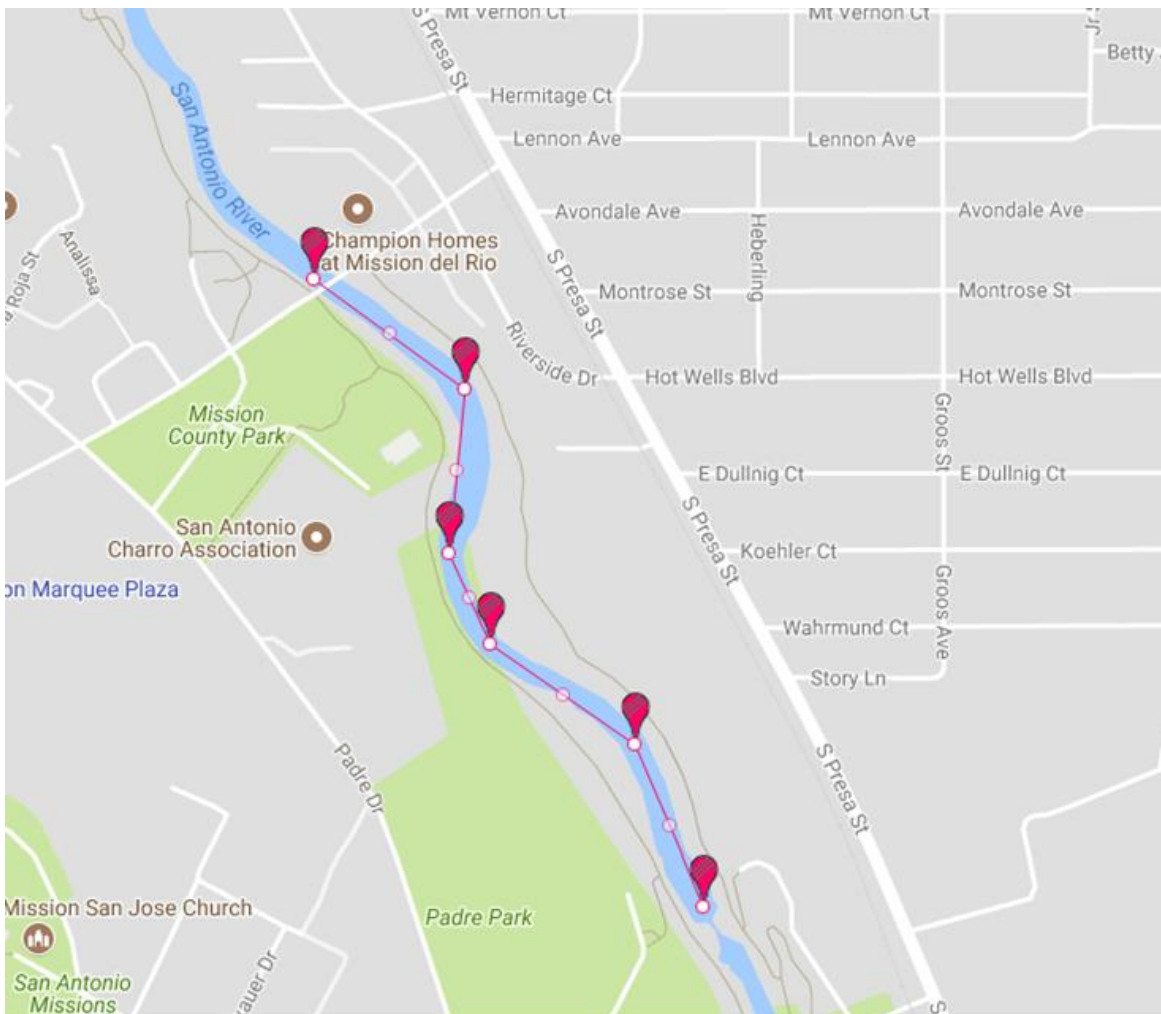
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**Parade Order:** The Flotilla water parade participants will be lined up in the following order:

1. People with their Pet Dressed Up
2. People Dressed Up
3. Float Only (no costume/dressing up)

**Awards:** Frist Place and Runner-Up will be awarded for both costume/dress up categories.



Parade route map: begins and ends at VFW Bridge, turnaround near Padre Park. Roundtrip 2km.

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**Kayaks:** There are a limited number of kayaks available for use, provided for free by event sponsor Mission Adventure Tours. Kayaks must be reserved before the event. Please direct questions to Kim Garcia at 210.302.3200 or [kgarcia@sara-tx.org](mailto:kgarcia@sara-tx.org).

More information about the Official Fiesta Event, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Mission Reach Flotilla Fiesta: <http://flotilla.sariverfound.org>.

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