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**Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline Expands to Manitowoc for Subfest and Beyond**  
*The Skyline Princess Vessel will Cruise at the Wisconsin Maritime Museum*

MANITOWOC—July 1, 2016— The second annual Manitowoc Subfest on July 8-10, will include a new feature; Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline's Skyline Princess will debut cruise tours of the Manitowoc River and Lake Michigan.

The Skyline Princess—a 65-foot Coast Guard-inspected vessel—holds up to 50 passengers and features open-bow seating and interior and stern seating, providing patrons first class views on every tour. The tours begin at Subfest and will continue throughout the year in partnership with the Wisconsin Maritime Museum. Subfest celebrates the 28 US Navy Submarines built in Manitowoc during WWII for the war effort. These submarines were sent to the gulf coast via barge through Chicago and into the Mississippi River system. Subfest includes tours of USS Cobia, music, food and family entertainment.

During Subfest, tours on the Skyline Princess will be offered daily, taking patrons to see where the submarines were built in Manitowoc, around old shipyards and near the Burger Boat Company along the Manitowoc River. After Subfest, tours will focus on Manitowoc's maritime culture, showcasing the National Marine Sanctuary, Manitowoc's shipbuilding history and educational programming for students.

"This is a big deal for locals and visitors," said Wisconsin Maritime Museum CEO Rolf Johnson. "Having this boat here will be a cool, new, on-the-water experience to accompany the museum."

The Skyline Princess was built in 1956 by founder and Portuguese immigrant, Arthur Agra. Today, Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline is owned by the third generation of the Agra family, led by President and Capt. Bob Agra. The Skyline Princess was formerly a tour boat in Chicago.

"The Skyline Princess is a world-class vessel that will provide a beautiful tour of Manitowoc and Lake Michigan," said Capt. Bob Agra, President of Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline. "We are excited for this great opportunity for people to experience the historic Manitowoc-area waters."

For more information about Subfest and Skyline Princess tours, please visit [www.wisconsinmaritime.org](http://www.wisconsinmaritime.org). For information about Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruise, please visit [www.mercurycruises.com](http://www.mercurycruises.com).

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About Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline

Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline is a fourth-generation owned and operated cruise line. In its 81<sup>th</sup> season, the 109-passenger Skyline Queen and 150-passenger Chicago's Little Lady provides narrated daytime and evening lake and river cruises. Mercury Cruises is committed to green practices and recycles used oil, engine batteries, and beverage containers, cardboard and paper. All vessels solely use B11 biodiesel fuel, low-flush toilets and environmentally safe cleaning solutions. All vessels are operated by a U.S. Coast Guard-licensed captain and crew. Follow Mercury Cruises on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). For more information on Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline visit [www.MercuryCruises.com](http://www.MercuryCruises.com)