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### A Contest That's a Real Sandful

Lincoln City, OR - Heat things up this summer at the 41<sup>st</sup> annual Sandcastle Contest on Siletz Bay. Held on August 11<sup>th</sup>, this amateur contest is sure to be a real sandful.

The Bay Area Merchants Association (BAMA) once again will host this annual Lincoln City summer tradition that dates back several decades. Downtown Manager Susan Wahlke reflects back on the history of the event.

“The contest is a long tradition in Lincoln City,” remarks Wahlke. “For as long as I can remember, the event has drawn large crowds. The beach is always packed with smiling faces of all ages.”

The contest runs from 11am to 5pm and is open to participants of all ages and skill levels. Competition categories include groups or families, pairs, individuals (over 12 years old) and kids (12 years and younger). Entry location on the beach is determined by category. Specialized categories such as Best Squid, Best Sea Creature and Best Sandcastle and others will also be available.

Entries must be built using only sand, water, shells and other natural beach material found that day. Hand tools and forms may be used in the construction process but may not support the structure. Power tools are not allowed. This is an amateur competition; professional “Sand Artists” are disqualified from winning prizes.

Prizes in the form of cash will be awarded to each category winner. The kids' category will have 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners, each taking home a “Beach Bucket Surprise.” Judging takes place at 2pm, with winners to be announced shortly after. Listen to live music from local talent while you wait for the winners to be unveiled.

Registration begins at 9am on the dock just outside Mo's Restaurant in the Taft District of Lincoln City. All participants must register at the registration booth on the day of the event before beginning. There is a fee of one can or more of food per entrant, which will be donated to the Lincoln City Food Pantry.

For more information about the Sandcastle Contest, please visit [ExploreLincolnCity.com](http://ExploreLincolnCity.com).

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