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### Special Event Venues: Water Venues

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**Anita Dee Yacht Charters**

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Chicago, IL 60611  
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**Website:** <http://www.anitadee.com>

**Contact:** Marc Barrile  
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**Description:**

Anita Dee Yacht Charters has specialized in "Private and Exclusive" yacht charter services for over 30 years. Our clients have the freedom and flexibility to customize all aspects of their cruise. From the charter times, cruising routes, bar packages, catering, entertainment and more. Whether it's a group of 25 or 400, your guests occupy the vessel exclusively. Anita Dee's sales and event coordination team will assist you in planning every detail of your event. Both of our private yacht venues have alternate pick up and drop off locations. Whether it's an internal Corporate Outing, Client Appreciation, Social Event or Fundraiser, your guests are sure to be dazzled with the most unique and amazing venue in Chicago! Begin planning your event today.

**Chicago's First Lady Cruises**

112 E. Wacker Dr. on Chicago's Riverwalk  
Chicago, IL 60601  
**Phone:** (847) 358-1330

**Website:** <http://www.cruisechicago.com>

**Contact:** Holly Agra  
**Email:** [chartersales@cruisechicago.com](mailto:chartersales@cruisechicago.com)

**Description:**

Plan a private event aboard any one of Chicago's First Lady's luxury vessels and your group with thank you! Chicago's most upscale private yachts cruising Chicago's River and Downtown Lakefront Harbor are available for private party rental each evening May - November. Vessels range in size to accommodate groups of 6-225 and offer open-air upper decks as well as upscale climate controlled dining salons. Complete with granite and marble restrooms and full bar facilities, our yachts depart from Chicago's new Riverwalk, Michigan Ave. & Wacker Dr. Walking distance from downtown convention and luxury hotels. Choose any one of our three custom caterers to create an on-board menu to satisfy your taste and budget. Chicago's skyline and sunset offers your group a one-of-a-kind evening experience that can't be beat. A private docent/guide with the Chicago Architecture Foundation is available to provide architectural commentary for the river portion of your event. Your group will thank you.

**Free Spirit Yacht Cruises**

Burnham Harbor, Dock J, Slips 24 & 25  
Chicago, IL 60605  
**Phone:** (708) 361-2220

**Website:** <http://www.freespiritcruises.com>

**Contact:** Angela Donofrio

**Email:** [info@freespiritcruises.com](mailto:info@freespiritcruises.com)

**Description:**

Luxury yachts for private event charters, business meetings, company outings or parties. Entertain your guests in our warm, inviting atmosphere as they enjoy outstanding service and scrumptious catering - all geared to make your charter a huge success. From 2-120 people. Special Features: Chicago River cruises available. Stereo-system w/iPod hook-up, CD Player, XM Radio and a microphone. Entertainment available. Room Capacities: Gypsy Spirit (Mtg. 50, Banq. 50, Recpt. 50); Free Spirit (Mtg. 120, Banq. 120, Recpt. 120).

**Odyssey Cruises**

Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave.

Chicago, IL 60611

**Phone:** (888) 957-2634

**Website:** <http://www.odysseycruises.com/chicago>

**Contact:** Tracy Malia

**Email:** [ChicagoRFP@entertainmentcruises.com](mailto:ChicagoRFP@entertainmentcruises.com)

**Description:**

Chicago is an exceptional city, and a cruise aboard the elegant Odyssey lets you see it from a whole new perspective. A fine dining experience combines breathtaking views and great entertainment for an unforgettable event. You'll enjoy a three-course, locally-sourced menu, award-winning wines and local beers, upscale DJ entertainment and a sophisticated ambiance. Odyssey also serves as a unique private event space perfect for groups of 2 to 700. Groups will enjoy convenient all-inclusive packages and complimentary event planners to help with every detail. Cruise with Odyssey for a brunch, lunch or dinner cruise, or enjoy specialty cruises for New Year's Eve, the Air and Water Show, Independence Day and more.

**Shoreline Sightseeing Company**

Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave.

Chicago, IL 60611

**Phone:** (312) 222-9328

**Website:** <http://www.shorelinesightseeing.com>

**Contact:** Judi McCullough

**Email:** [info@shorelinesightseeing.com](mailto:info@shorelinesightseeing.com)

**Description:**

For a memorable event, cruise the Chicago River and Lake Michigan on a private Shoreline charter. Our charter fleet offers a choice of specially outfitted custom vessels equipped for 50 to 200 guests with full bar capabilities and space for all types of events. A variety of menus from our premier caterers offer options to suit any budget. Convenient departures from Navy Pier with ample parking facilities nearby. For smaller groups, Shoreline offers excellent group rates on many of its regularly scheduled tours. Other Shoreline services: Architecture River Tours, Classic Lake Tours and Water Taxis on the Chicago River and Lake Michigan. Visit our website for complete information.

**Wendella Sightseeing Boats**

400 N. Michigan Ave.,

Chicago, IL 60611

**Phone:** (312) 337-1446

**Website:** <http://www.wendellaboats.com>

**Contact:** Katherine Borgstrom

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**Description:**

Welcome aboard Chicago's most spectacular events venue! Wendella offers the finest in service and amenities along with breathtaking views.

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**Tours & Attractions: Boat Tours**

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**Seadog Cruises**

Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave.

Chicago, IL 60611

**Phone:** (888) 345-3880

**Website:** <http://www.seadogcruises.com/chicago>

**Contact:** Tracy Malia

**Email:** ChicagoRFP@entertainmentcruises.com

**Description:**

Seadog Cruises offers exciting Speedboat Rides, River & Lake Architecture Tours, and Extreme Thrill Rides perfect for a solo traveler or a group of 450. We cruise April through October. Lakefront Firework Speedboat Tours are also available on Wednesday and Saturday, Memorial Day – Labor Day. For groups interested in customizing their day on the water, Seadog is available for charter. We'll help you customize everything from the food & beverages to the cruise time & more. There's no better way to see Chicago's most famous sites than aboard this crazy canine!

**Spirit of Chicago**

Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave.

Chicago, IL 60611

**Phone:** (888) 957-2634

**Website:** <http://www.spiritcruises.com/chicago>

**Contact:** Tracy Malia

**Email:** ChicagoRFP@entertainmentcruises.com

**Description:**

Spirit of Chicago delivers the most entertaining and unique combination of dining, dancing, entertainment and spectacular views in Chicago. Picture it: You're standing on the deck of an incredible ship taking in one of the most beautiful skylines in the world. Get out on the water with a Spirit lunch, dinner or special event cruise. Forget stuffy ballrooms or boring restaurants, and give your guests an experience to remember. Spirit of Chicago offers a unique space for group up to 600. Perfect for client entertaining, group parties, networking events, socials and more – let's celebrate!