

PHILADELPHIA FISHING SHOW SEMINARS PRESENTED BY THE FISHERMAN MAGAZINE

February 14-16, 2025 ROOM 1 & 3 SEMINARS

FRI FEB. 14	Speaker	Affiliation	Topic	Seminar Details	ROOM
12:30 PM	Capt. Khoa Nguyen	Tidechasers Podcast & Century Rods	Back Bay Strippers	With the opening of New Jersey's "outback" striper season fast-approaching on March 1, it's time to gear up for the spring season with a deep dive into South Jersey's back bay striped bass fishery.	ROOM 3
1:00 PM	Capt. Brian White	Waverunner Fishing Charters	Outer Banks Offshore Tuna	Join this Oregon Inlet (Wanchese Marina) charter captain for a deep dive into offshore tuna, with a look at spreader bars, deep rigging, colors, patterns, trolling speeds and everything you need to put more tuna in the box, from the Outer Banks to the Hudson Canyon.	ROOM 1
1:30 PM	Capt. Alan Lee	Mushin Sportfishing	Troll, Jig, Chunk, & Pop Goes the Yellowfin	New advancements in tackle design on the rod and reel side has made tuna fishing less cumbersome and more effective – learn about these advanced techniques for working the midrange and offshore grounds to up your yellowfin tuna score.	ROOM 3
2:00 PM	Capt. Justin Campbell	Dark Horse Charter Fishing	Bucktailin Doormat Fluke	Whether you're fishing the sandy bottom or the really sticky stuff, get the lowdown on bucktailin trophy fluke from this professional crew out of Keyport and Shark River, with tips and tactics to score up and down the Jersey Coast.	ROOM 1
3:00 PM	Capt. Tom Daffin	Fishin Fever Sportfishing	Catching Jumbo Blackfish	A new state record blackfish (25.8 pounds) aboard Fishin Fever out of Cape May eclipsed the previous state record (25.37 pounds) caught 6 years prior on the same boat. Join that boat's skipper with a tactical look at how.	ROOM 3
3:30 PM	Lee, Joel & Seth Wakefield	Saltwater Heart Fishing	Jersey Shore Surfcasting	The Wakefield brothers are St. Croix pro-stuffers who'll share their passion for the surf, providing a look at how these dedicated surfcasters find success through the seasons in the Jersey surf; gear, preparation, game planning, & log books.	ROOM 1
4:00 PM	Capt. Harry Browne	Muscles Magoo/Lady K Charters	Raritan Bay Monster Strippers	Join this longtime Raritan Bay charter captain talking jumbo stripers on the Raritan Bay and outside along the Sandy Hook stretch, with a spotlight on trolling, jigging, planer boards, "legal" snag & drop, and whatever other tactic it takes to land a monster.	ROOM 3
4:30 PM	Capt. Eric Morrow	Bounty Hunter Charters	Nantucket Shoal Doormat Fluke	Ever heard the term "land of the giants" and "doormat" in the same sentence? It probably had to do with the double-digit sized fluke at Nantucket Shoals, home to countless "personal best" fluke, and counting. Learn why and how!	ROOM 1
5:00 PM	Capt. Derek Bielitz	Fisher Price Sportfishing	Raritan Bay's Spring Striper Run	Live bait, artificials, what's it take to take to catch a personal striped bass on the Raritan Bay when the action kicks into gear in April? Join Bayshore charter skipper for a deep dive into jumbo stripers.	ROOM 3
5:30 PM	Capt. Tim Keebler	FinSeeker River Guide Service	Delaware River Strippers	Make the run upriver with the striper migration from the tidal flow at Philly all the way up to Bucks County, spring through summer in the hunt for Delaware River striped bass.	ROOM 1

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11:30 AM	Capt. Eric Kerber	On A Mission Fishing Charters	Pot Hopping Mahi	During the last few seasons mahi (aka dolphin and dorado) have invaded inshore waters where savvy captains are loading up around the pots, markers and buoys. Gear up for some offshore excitement close to port.	ROOM 1
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1:00 PM	Capt. Cody Melton	Jersey Nutz Sportfishing	Canyon Tuna Fishing	Bigeye tuna are about the toughest brawlers you'll find on the Mid-Atlantic offshore grounds, but calling one out from the wolf pack—and then the others—sometimes requires very specific tools and tactics.	ROOM 3
1:30 PM	Capt. Mike Rothman	Bonanza II	Delaware Bay Drum	When the dogwoods bloom, the drum will boom! Prepare for the arrival of black drum in May by joining noted Fortescue, NJ party boat captain in the hunt for "boomers" on Delaware Bay.	ROOM 1
2:00 PM	Eric Bunz	The Reel Seat	Slow Pitch Jigging for Sea Bass	The slow pitch jig is a specialized tool/tactic that has not only made fishing for sea bass more exciting, but it's also a great way of catching the biggest "humpbacks" above the reefs and wrecks.	ROOM 3
2:30 PM	Capt. Chuck Woodfield	Elligail Charters	Chesapeake Bay Striped Bass	With over 30 years of experience, Capt. Chuck is well versed in fishing the Upper Chesapeake striper fishery; let his Maryland waterman put you into the "rockfish" action this season, with tips & tactics for baitfishing stripers!	ROOM 1
3:00 PM	Capt. Alan Lee	Mushin Sportfishing	How To Deep Drop Tilefish	Jigging or deep dropping with bait, the tilefish fishery has exploded in recent years; whether you're cranking by hand or using the latest in electric reels, this offshore fishery will help load the box with tasty tiles in between your tuna hunt.	ROOM 3
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4:30 PM	Capt. Tom Daffin	Fishin Fever	Deepdropping Swordfish	Overnight chunkers always hope to see a swordfish in the slick with the yellowfin, but deepdrop swordfishing is a whole new game. How to target these gladiators specifically during daylight hours.	ROOM 1

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11:30 AM	Capt. Khoa Nguyen	Tidechasers Podcast & Century Rods	South Jersey Sheepshead	The popularity and availability of sheepshead has taken off in recent years. Learn the gear and techniques you need to target some of New Jersey's more unusual seasonal residents out back, the mighty sheepshead .	ROOM 1
NOON	Capt. Phil Sciortino	Tackle Box Sportfishing	Planer Boards & Giant Stripers	When it comes to "personal best" striped bass of 40 pounds or better, there's nothing like the "Many Method" of live eels under planer boards. A closely guarded secret for jumbo striper success is revealed!	ROOM 3
12:30 PM	Capt. Eric Kerber	On A Mission Fishing Charters	Northern Snakeheads - Trash or Treasure?	Northern snakeheads are a hard-fighting, relatively new fly and light target for urban and suburban anglers throughout the Philadelphia, tristate area. If you're looking to hunt for swamp monsters, get started here.	ROOM 1
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2:00 PM	Capt. Joe Paton	Nearfall Fishing Charters	Fishing for Doormat Fluke	Tips, tactics and techniques to up your fluke (summer flounder) score in '25 with a Belmar-based captain who can you help you get through the sticky stuff on your way to a personal best doormat.	ROOM 3
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2:00 PM	Mitch Metcalf	iBass 360 / Due North	Big Bait Theory	Techniques used to pull fish to you - including Livingston's sound technology.	ROOM 2
3:00 PM	Anthony Awgul	Awgul Fishing	Catch More & Bigger Bass	This full-time Lake Nockamixon guide literally wrote the book on the subject (Author, Catch More And Bigger Bass), helping anglers to become more successful and consistent on the water.	ROOM 2
4:00 PM	Chris Gorsuch	Reel River Adventures	Tips & Tactics for Smallmouth & Walleye	Professional guide and outdoor writer shares fishing and lure rigging techniques for smallmouth bass and walleye for maximizing time and success on lakes and rivers.	ROOM 2
5:00 PM	Kevin Ingram	Shadillac Custom Lures	Delaware Shad Fishing	Tips, tactics and tools for catching American shad on the Delaware from this lifetime member of the Delaware River Shad Fisherman's Association.	ROOM 2
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11:00 AM	Mitch Metcalf	iBass 360 / Due North	Tactics For Pennsylvania Crappie	Talking tactics, tackle and everything you need to know about finding Pennsylvania crappie - big Pennsylvania crappie!	ROOM 2
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2:00 PM	huck Jones & DKAM Fishir	Muskies Inc. Chapter 50	Chasing Muskies	A look inside the arsenal of an avid muskie angler. Learn about equipment, strategies, and how to change with the seasons. Safe release techniques are also covered.	ROOM 2
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4:00 PM	Spencer Cookson	Berkshire Bass	Shallow Water Largemouth	Patterns, presentation and tackle selection for targeting largemouth bass in shallow waters, from spring through the summer months.	ROOM 2
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