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**17th Annual Virginia Beach Surf Art Expo Once Again Serves as
Official Kick-off to Summer - May 23-25**

90+ artists to exhibit on the Va. Beach boardwalk with the backdrop of the Atlantic Ocean

(VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. – May 6, 2026) – Get stoked for the largest surf art show on the East Coast – the [17th Annual Virginia Beach Surf Art Expo](#) (VB Surf Expo) at the Virginia Beach Oceanfront on the boardwalk 3rd -7th Streets, Saturday, May 23 and Sunday May 24, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. and Memorial Day Monday, May 25, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The Virginia Beach Surf Art Expo features 90+ local and regional artists from Maine to the Mid-Atlantic region and down through Florida who capture the essence of the beach, the ocean, water life, sea life and surfing related themes in their art. VB Surf Art Expo, in partnership with the Coastal Edge Steel Pier Classic, the surfing competition at the 1st Street Jetty, serves as the official kick-off to the summer season at the Oceanfront. “Isn’t seeing an artist’s interpretation of the beach vibe the very best way to enjoy it? We drip salt water from our pores” says Jodie Woodward, founder and show director of the Virginia Beach Surf Art Expo.

Surf art from all mediums including painting, photography, jewelry, sculpture, ceramics, wood, metal, fiber, glass and mixed media will be available for purchase. Each artist has a connection with surfing, the ocean, beach life, sea life, seascape scenes, shells, coral, dolphins, fish, lighthouses, mermaids, custom surfboard and skateboard designs. Expect to see more Patriotic themes this year in alignment with America’s 250th birthday.

“We can’t wait for the 23rd Annual Coastal Edge Steel Pier Classic presented by Katin,” says D. Nachnani, president of Coastal Edge. “This Memorial Day Weekend, the heart of Virginia Beach becomes the soul of East Coast surfing. We’re proud to host the WSL World Tour Longboard event alongside our professional shortboard competition. With over 300 athletes representing more than a dozen countries, and a combined \$16,000 purse on the line, this is more than a contest—it’s a celebration of art, athleticism, music and the surf culture that defines our coast,” Nachnani went on to say.

For more information about the iconic Virginia Beach Surf Art Expo, please visit vbsurfartexpo.com or call (757) 348-1040 for more information. Connect with us on Facebook/[vbsurfartexpo](https://www.facebook.com/vbsurfartexpo) or Instagram [@surfartexpovb](https://www.instagram.com/surfartexpovb)

Virginia Beach Surf Art Expo

The Virginia Beach Surf Art Expo, now in its 17th year, is the official kick off to summer at the Virginia Beach Oceanfront with more than 90 artists capturing life and the vibe at the ocean through multiple mediums. Visit www.vbsurfartexpo.com to find out more.
