Come out and cheer for the LLESA Dragon Boat Racing team

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We Be Dragon, the LLESA-sponsored dragon boat team, is back to compete in this year's Kaiser Permanente San Francisco International Dragon Boat Festival. The festival will be held on Sep. 26-27 at Treasure Island. As a novice team, We Be Dragon will race on Sept. 26 only.

Come out on Saturday and cheer the team to victory. Says team coach Sharon Beall, "In 2008, we took second place in the novice competition. This year, we're a critical mass powered by 192 giant laser beams. We'll literally blow the competition out of the water."

Team members are Haiyin Chen, Chelle Clements, Darwin Damba, Marleen Emig, Jim Emig, Eli Hernandez, Joan Houston, Jae Jeon, Aaron Jones, Karen Kline, Kenny Lee, Lee Neely, Chi Nguyen, Sejin Oh, Karen Rath, Courtney Reynolds, Tony Sy, Mike Tamblin, Binh Tran and Igor Tregub.

This event is the largest competitive dragon boat festival in the United States,

bringing together more than 100 teams and 3,000 paddlers from across North America and Taiwan. More than 10,000 spectators attended the event last year.

Admission is free and the view of the San Francisco skyline can't be beat. Dragon boat racing is the world's fastest growing water sport. For more information about the festival, see the Website. For information about We Be Dragon, contact coach Beall.