

## We Be Dragon takes second place at Dragon Boat Festival

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Team photo taken at the SF Dragon Boat festival on Saturday, Sept. 26.

We Be Dragon team: Front row: Binh Tran, Tony Sy, Joan Houston, Karen Kline, Sejin Oh, Marleen Emig 2nd row: Amanda Houston, Haiyin Chen, Kenny Lee, Chi Nguyen, Chelle Clements, Jim Emig, Karen Rath, Sharon Beall (coach) 3rd row: Darwin Damba, Jae Jeon, Eli Hernandez, Igor Tregub, Lee Neely, Aaron Jones, Mike Tamblin and Courtney Reynolds.

We Be Dragon, the LLESA-sponsored dragon boat team, took second place in its novice division at this year's San Francisco Dragon Boat Festival on Saturday, Sept. 26, at Treasure Island.

The team paddled its way to a medal for the second year in a row, covering 300 meters in 1:41.24 in the third and final heat. The team's fastest time of the day was 1:35.38.

More than 130 teams, including entrants from Canada, the Netherlands and Taiwan, competed in the two-day event, which drew about 10,000 paddlers and spectators. Competitive teams raced on Sunday, with photo-finish excitement.

For more information about We Be Dragon and the sport of dragon boat racing, contact team coach [Sharon Beall](#).



We Be Dragon paddling out to the starting line, with Sharon Beall as the drummer, and Chuck Chen of the California Dragon Boat Association as the steersman.