

# FREE Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Boat Washing Demo



**When:** Wednesday July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019

**Time:** 6:00pm - 8:00pm

**Where:** Brookwood Point, 6000 State Route 80, Cooperstown, NY 13326

**Description:** This family friendly program and demonstration will benefit the recreational paddler, rower, and sailor by teaching them how to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species while they enjoy being out on the water.

Participants will learn to identify various aquatic invasive species that threaten our region's waters, how they are transported, and how to take precautions to ensure boats are clean to prevent these destructive species from invading our waters. Invasive species pose a plethora of problems to our natural resources, ecosystem and human health, and economy.

Lake Stewards trained by Catskill Regional Invasive Species Partnership (CRISP) will give a short presentation followed by a hands-on demonstration on how to properly inspect and clean different vessels, including kayaks, paddleboards, rowing sculls, and sail boats.

The free program is in collaboration with Otsego Land Trust (OLT), Catskill Regional Invasive Species Partnership (CRISP), Otsego Area Rowers (OAR), Canoe and Kayak Rentals and Sales, Otsego Lake Association (OLA), Otsego Sailing Club (OSC), Otsego County Conservation Association (OCCA) and Canadarago Lake Improvement Association (CLIA).

**For more information or to RSVP to this event, please contact**

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