



Miami Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival  
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### Miami Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival Kick Off Party

The Miami Overseas Chinese Association (MOCA) will host its annual Kick Off Party for the Miami Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival on Thursday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2007 from 6:30pm to 9:30pm at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Miami. In conjunction with kicking off this year's dragon boat festival, we will also be celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Year Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administration Region - SAR.

The theme of the evening will be Casino Night with the finest seafood and meat buffets and top shelf drinks. Tickets are \$100 per person and will benefit the fight against breast cancer at the University of Miami Comprehensive Cancer Center through the Joan G. Gaines Breast Cancer Research fund.

Dragon Boat Racing has made a special connection with breast cancer. Breast cancer survivors have found that in dragon boating, working together as a team helps them both physically and emotionally. As the sport continues to grow worldwide, so do the numbers of breast cancer teams, as well as festivals joining in the fight, acknowledging and giving these survivors their own racing division/categories.

MOCA has raised over \$72,000 for the American Red Cross and Joan G. Gaines has raised over \$130,000 for breast cancer alone.

Dragon Boat Racing is the fastest growing water sport in the world. The Miami Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival will take place on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 from 10am to 5pm on Brickell Key with 50+ teams. Additional information on the sport and event can be found at [www.miamidragon.com](http://www.miamidragon.com).

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely,

Miami Overseas Chinese Association Staff