

SAILING EXHIBIT

SAN DIEGO
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The star boat made it safely from the San Diego Yacht Club's boat yard to the Hall of Champions and was successfully rigged and installed into place last week. The installation went well and without any major hiccups. Pictures of the process are below.

Before concrete was poured we 'boxed out' spaces for six light fixtures to be installed underneath the boat so the underside of the hull can be lit. The light fixtures will be controlled and have varying effects. Once these are installed (they are built to order from Florida and should be here in a few weeks) we will pour the remainder of the concrete. That concrete will then dry for seven days before the flooring company lays the moisture system.

The center of the America's Cup room and the area under the star boat were also wired for power and data. The contractors filled in the cuts they made for these lines with concrete. The next phase is wiring for power and data throughout the walls in the America's Cup room and the main room in the exhibit.

The concrete cured over the long Thanksgiving weekend as it needed to test at 2300psi before the rigging elements could be removed. After a week, the concrete tested at 4300psi. The riggers removed their equipment yesterday and the star is now being supported primarily by its anchors with a little help from the sawhorse supports the contractors built, which will be used to support the hull when maintenance is required. Vince Brun and Chuck Hope Jr. temporarily removed the sawhorses yesterday and Vince rested all his weight on the bow...and the boat is still standing! Vince said it flexed slightly, as it should, and was very solid and secure.

The America's Cup signs that our designer Mark Mrowka created were displayed at the AC World Series – lots of people took the time to stop and read them. These signs are now on display here at the Hall of Champions. Once Ken Gardiner's models are finished we will temporarily display his models next to the signs as a 'coming soon' attraction. We also hope to show a few video highlights of the star's installation to garner interest and excitement in the new exhibit. Mark is also designing a large 'sailing exhibit coming soon' sign to hang on the exterior of the Hall of Champions.

Our 'follow the exhibit build' blog will be created next week and will showcase images of the star's installation along with captions. We may include video updates and some interviews as well.

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