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Portland's Susan G. Komen's Race for the Cure, the annual fundraising event for breast cancer awareness and prevention, will be held this year on Sunday, Sept. 16 at Tom McCall Waterfront Park. Registration for the race is now open.

Race for the Cure

Registration opens for annual event

Registration is now open for Portland's Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, the largest fundraising event for breast cancer awareness and prevention by the organization's Oregon and Southwest Washington chapter. This year's race, co-presented by Les Schwab Tire Centers and Tektronix, will be held Sunday, Sept. 16 at Tom McCall Waterfront Park.

Today, one in seven women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime and 40,000 will die annually.

"The fight has never been more

real," said Ann Berryman, director of development and communications for the Portland-based non-profit. "This event is important because it generates nearly 50 percent of the revenue needed to fuel our work locally. This is the time for community to come together, to celebrate and honor, to create lasting friendships and to learn about the progress of our work right here."

New this year, will be live music from the band Dance Hall Days and photo opportunities with Optimus Prime from Transformers 5. Race officials say even dogs can join the walk or fun run, because after all, they are a person's breast friend. Sign them up too.

Early-bird pricing is good

through Aug. 10 by registering at komenoregon.org.

In the last 27 years, the local organization has funneled nearly \$20 million into programs that prioritize the importance of improving and building on the quality of life for cancer survivors and forever fighters, emphasizing the value of early detection and screenings, as well as financial assistance for access to treatment. Another \$12 million has been dedicated to local cutting-edge research.

Susan G. Komen is the world's largest breast cancer organization, funding more breast cancer research than any other nonprofit outside of the federal government while providing real-time help to those facing the disease.



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