

Aquapalooza VI

Meet Announcement

TNYA is thrilled to host **Aquapalooza VI**, our legendary masters swim meet, at the **Apex Pool at Lehman College** on **Saturday May 2, 2025!** This event brings together masters swimmers from all over for a weekend of fierce competition, fun relays, and unforgettable social events.

What's in Store?

- A **fast, fun, and friendly** meet at one of NYC's top swimming facilities
- A lineup of **official and unofficial events**, including exciting relays
- **Two epic parties**—a pre-meet social & our famous **Aquapalooza Plunge afterparty**
- The **best vibes in queer aquatics** - prepare for [Gay Games Valencia!](#)

Meet Format & Schedule

Apex Pool, Lehman College (25m, 8-lane course + warm-up/cool-down lanes)

- **9:00 AM** – Warm-ups
- **10:00 AM – 12:30 PM** – Official Meet (all events are all-gender):
 - 400 Freestyle
 - 100 Individual Medley
 - 200 Breaststroke
 - 200 Freestyle
 - 100 Butterfly
 - 200 Backstroke
 - 50 Freestyle
 - <BREAK>
 - 200 Butterfly
 - 50 Backstroke
 - 100 Freestyle
 - 100 Breaststroke
 - 200 Individual Medley
 - 800 Freestyle
 - 200 Medley relay
 - 400 Freestyle Relay
 - 50 Butterfly
 - 100 Backstroke
 - 50 Breaststroke
 - 400 IM

- 200 Free Relay
- 400 Medley Relay

Try for your personal best!

- The ducks are back! **Every swimmer who completes an event will receive a rubber duck** (we need to get them out of our Co-President's apartment) with a label commemorating their name, event, and time.
- There are no places or categories at the event - but if you get a personal best, you can add an extra sticker to your duck to commemorate your achievement!

Social Events & Afterparty

- **Pre-Meet Dinner & Cocktails – May 1, 6-9 PM @ The Dickens NYC** (783 8th Ave)
- **Plunge Tea Dance Afterparty – May 2, 5-8 PM @ Boxers HK** (735 9th Ave) – dance floor and drink tickets

Registration covers the meet **and** both parties. Bring your friends—entrance to the pre-meet dinner is **free** (cash bar) and extra tickets to Plunge afterparty available for \$25!

Early Bird Admission – \$55 available until April 2 // **Standard Admission** – \$75

Need a place to stay? If you're traveling from out of town and interested in **hosted housing with TNYA**, email us at aquapalooza@tnya.org for more details.

Competition Rules and Details

- Your age for purposes of this meet is however old you will be on **December 31, 2025**, per USMS Rule 102.2.1. Your age for purposes of the party are however old you *feel* on May 2, 2026.
- All individual events swum by USMS members with event licenses will be transmitted to USMS for national recognition. Relays will not be transmitted to USMS, although all relay participants will receive a rubber duck. Relay teams are assembled entirely without regard to gender.
- USMS 2026 rules govern this meet other than USMS rules pertaining to gender. Participants are not expected to register their gender to take part in the meet. No two competitors will compete against each other.
- Primary timing system will be automatic timing. Times for this competition will be eligible for USMS records and Top 10 consideration if you are a USMS member with an event license, but not for world records.

- No diving is permitted during warm-up except in designated one-way sprint lanes (if any). Swimmers are enjoined to enter the water in a cautious, controlled, yet fabulous manner. Violators will be remorselessly dragged.
- The length of the competition course is in compliance and on file with USMS in accordance with articles 105.1.7 and 106.2.1, but as a bulkhead course, is subject to length confirmation. Eligibility of times for USMS Top 10 and records will be contingent on verification of bulkhead placement.
- Swimmers will be seeded according to entry time, not by age or USMS gender. Heats will be conducted slowest to fastest; "NT" (no time) entries will be seeded as slowest. All events will be seeded and heat sheets posted after swimmer check-in has closed.
- The meet will be conducted as a timed finals meet.
- Although teams are strongly encouraged to enter relays at time of registration, we will accept relay entries on deck on the day of the meet as well.
- Any swimmer who intends to post a USMS Top 10 or USMS national record split time must visit the computer table prior to the conclusion of the meet to complete and submit the official split time request paperwork in writing. Initial backstroke split requests must be submitted prior to swim.
- Results will be emailed to competitors following the meet conclusion.