

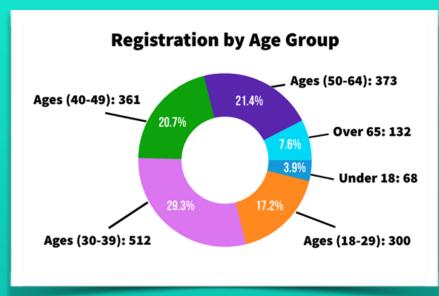
THE 47th ANNUAL BAYOU CITY CLASSIC IOK
- TEXAS' OLDEST IOK & FAMILY FRIENDLY 5K
SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

PROCEEDS BENEFIT HOUSTON PARKS



A Non-Profit Event Organized by the Houston Area Road Runners Association





AGE GROUP	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
Under 18	68	3.89%
Ages (18 - 29)	300	17.18%
Ages (30 - 39)	512	29.32%
Ages (40 - 49)	361	20.68%
Ages (50 - 64)	373	21.36%
Over 65	132	7.56%
Total	1,746	100%

(Data shown are from the last live event - 2023)

## ABOUT THE EVENT

- >2000 attendees expected
- Promotional outreach to ~25,000.
- Event has donated almost \$250,000 over the last 8 years.
- Event promoted in both print, digital, and social media to over 10,000 people.
- Over 2000 commemorative t-shirts with sponsor logos given out to registered runners and volunteers.
- Race owned & managed by HARRA, an all-volunteer, 501 C(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to promote running as a competitive sport and a healthful exercise.

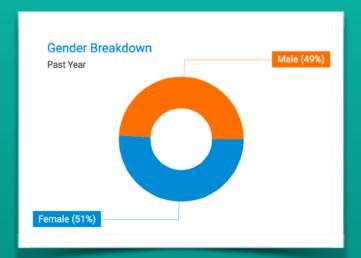
## Iululemon RACE SHIRTS



## **PEMOGRAPHICS**

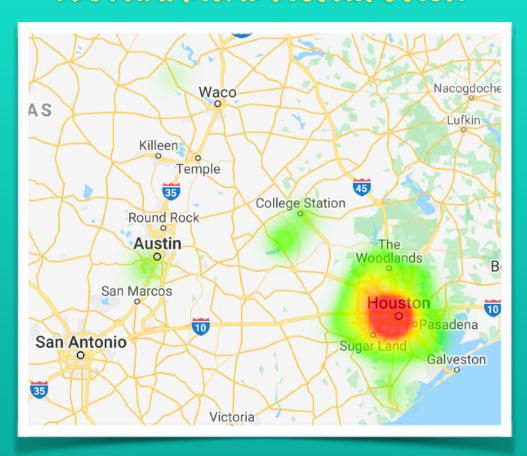
Participants in the Bayou City Classic represent a wide demographic distribution

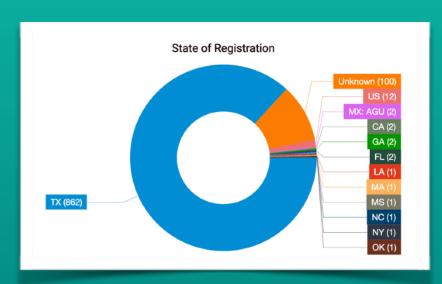
- Equal representation of gender
- Wide distribution across all age groups with most in the 30-65 window



Our unique custom tech shirts are provided by our partner lululemon, and feature a logo designed by local artist April Murphy of AEM studios. Major sponsor logos are printed on the back. These shirts are very popular and seen on runners around town well after the event.

## GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION





Although most participants are Texas residents, the race always attracts a few out of state runners.

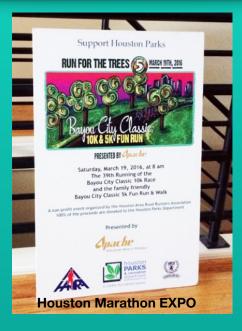
#### **GREATER HOUSTON AREA**

COUNTY	%
Brazoria County	3.13%
Chambers County	0.35%
Fort Bend County	7.38%
Galveston County	1.65%
Harris County	73.32%
Liberty County	0.09%
Montgomery County	4.52%
Wharton County	0.35%
Total	90.78%

Event participants are concentrated in the greater Houston area and surrounding counties, extending as far away as Austin, College Station, and Waco, TX.

## MARKETING

The Houston Area Road Runners Association promotes the Bayou City Classic at two major events each year. Promotion includes large signage with presenting sponsor logo, shirt giveaways, and onsite race registration.



The Houston Marathon EXPO in January. The marathon is the largest sporting event in Houston, with 25-30,000 participants that visit the EXPO before the race.



HARRA's Party in the Park in August at Memorial Park. HARRA invites all runners to stop and learn about HARRA, the Bayou City Classic, and other area running clubs. Free event reaching at least 4000 runners.

## Ambassador Program



The Bayou City Classic Ambassador Program was started in 2023 with 18 individuals representing a cross-section of our diverse community of runners in the greater Houston area.

Our ambassadors engage with the community through social media, unique personal connections, participation in free community "popup runs" from select sponsor locations, and more.



**SOCIAL MEDIA:** The event and sponsors are promoted on all HARRA & Bayou City Classic social media platforms.

## RACE DAY EXPERIENCE





The race has a festive atmosphere and features a costumed centipede contest, bagpipe players, and a terrific post-race party.











The Bayou City Classic is a family-friendly, all-inclusive event. We have recognized athletes in our Wheel Chair Division for many years and welcome all challenged athletes to join us. We invite EVERYONE to participate.

## POST RACE RACE PARTY













### BAYOU CITY CLASSIC PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

#### Presenting Sponsor \$20K

VIP hospitality tent access
50 free entries
Delivery of packets to Sponsor's office
VIP Parking for Senior Management
Packet Pickup at business, optional
Marketing material at packet pickup, optional
Logo on back of shirt and in all advertising
Logo Banner at Post Race Party & VIP tent
Logo and link on race website

#### Platinum Sponsor \$10K

VIP hospitality tent access
30 free entries
VIP Parking for Senior Management
Packet Pickup at business, optional
Marketing Material at packet pickup, optional
Logo on shirt and advertising
Logo and link on race website

#### Gold Sponsor \$5K

Tent space at Post Race Party
Up to 2 parking passes
15 free race entries
Logo placement on shirt is lower & smaller than Platinum sponsors

#### Silver Sponsor \$1K

Tent space at Post Race Party 5 free race entries Logo placement on shirt is lower & smaller than Gold sponsors

#### Bronze Sponsors \$500

Tent space at Post Race Party Logo on shirt and on website

## Houston Strong Sponsors (\$250 and up or in-kind sponsors\*)

Tent space at Post Race Party Logo on website only \*in-kind donation must be tangible product valued over \$250



#### **Inside the VIP Hospitality Tent**

2023 SPONSORS: lululemon,
Houston Striders, Desertview
Services, Inc., Fleet Feet Sports,
Elite Spine and Health Center,
Saint Arnold Brewing Co., Texas
Tamale, Teotihuacán Mexican
Café, IW Marks, Running Alliance
Sport, Houston Dash, Sprouts,
Fogo de Chão, Texas Foot &
Ankle, Raising Cane's, Resource
One, iHop, Alex's 5K, Bayou City
Road Runners, Homelight,
Signature Care and more...



Mile Marker Road Signs 24" X18"

Mile Marker Sponsors (\$250) Logo on Marker and on website



# THE BAYOU CITY CLASSIC IOK/5K SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024, 8AM HERMANN SQUARE, HOUSTON, TX

For more information about partnering with the Bayou City Classic, please contact us: <a href="mailto:hello@bayoucityclassic.org">hello@bayoucityclassic.org</a>

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