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Vanessa Williams To Kickoff The Holiday Season Aboard *Crystal Serenity*

The Award-Winning Star Brings Her Iconic Voice and Festive Spirit to an Exclusive Thanksgiving Voyage

Crystal is delighted to announce that multi-award-winning singer and actress Vanessa Williams, will join guests aboard *Crystal Serenity* for a special sailing departing Nov. 23, offering an exceptional way to begin the festive season.

Celebrated for her extraordinary versatility across music, television and stage, Williams has captivated audiences worldwide with chart-topping hits including “Save the Best for Last” and “Love Is.” With a career spanning decades, from acclaimed theatrical performances such as her current role as Miranda Priestly in “Devil Wears Prada” on the West End in London; to beloved television roles in “Ugly Betty” and “Desperate Housewives,” her artistry

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continues to resonate with audiences across generations. Now, she brings her signature elegance and powerhouse vocals to *Crystal Serenity* for an intimate and enriching onboard experience.

“Music has always been about connection, and there’s something truly special about sharing that connection during the holiday season. I’m so excited to join *Crystal Serenity* this November and look forward to celebrating with my family and guests through music, stories and festive moments.”

VANESSA WILLIAMS

During the voyage, Williams will take to the stage for an exclusive live performance, showcasing a curated selection of her greatest hits alongside seasonal favorites, creating a warm and celebratory atmosphere onboard. Guests will also enjoy an intimate Q&A session, offering a rare opportunity to hear personal stories and insights from her remarkable career—an experience designed to foster meaningful connection in an elegant setting.

“We are honored to welcome Vanessa Williams aboard *Crystal Serenity* for this special holiday voyage,” said Crystal’s Vice President of Entertainment Keith Cox. “Her extraordinary talent, timeless appeal and engaging presence make her the perfect artist to help us usher in the holiday season. At Crystal, we are dedicated to curating exceptional experiences, and this sailing promises to be truly unforgettable for our guests.”

The nine-night roundtrip voyage from Fort Lauderdale to Cartagena will feature stops in some of the most beautiful ports in the Caribbean including Samana, Dominican Republic, Jost Van Dyke, British Virgin Islands and Oranjestad, Aruba. An overnight in the final destination of Cartagena will allow guests plenty of time for exploration of delicious food and outstanding cultural vibes. While onboard, guests will enjoy Crystal’s signature hallmarks of exceptional service, world-class entertainment and exquisite culinary experiences—all thoughtfully enhanced to reflect the spirit of the season – including an exceptional Thanksgiving feast.

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To book any of Crystal's exceptional voyages, contact your travel advisor, visit www.crystalcruises.com, or call (800) 446-6620.

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About Crystal

For more than three decades, Crystal has been synonymous with exceptional, award-winning voyages. In 2022, AKTG (Abercrombie & Kent Travel Group) acquired the Crystal brand and its two vessels, Crystal Serenity and Crystal Symphony, ushering in a new era of being 'Exceptional at Sea' following a \$170 million refurbishment of the two ships. The globally renowned cruise line offers discerning travelers industry-leading, authentic, and enriching experiences both onshore and at sea. Crystal's pioneering partnership with Abercrombie & Kent provides guests with unparalleled access to the most sought-after experiences and destinations around the world. The reimagined ships boast larger, updated suites with artisanal finishes, and almost one member of crew per guest.

Crystal is home to the first-ever Casino de Monte-Carlo at sea as part of an exclusive partnership with Monte-Carlo Société des Bains de Mer (SBM), and world-class dining includes Umi Uma®, the only dining experience at sea by chef Nobu (Nobuyuki Matsuhisa), and the only Beefbar on the ocean, a collaboration with visionary restaurateur Riccardo Giraudi, and a specially curated Osteria d'Ovidio menu by three-time Michelin-starred Italian chef Massimiliano and celebrated restaurateur Raffaele Alajmo. The ships also feature cutting-edge wellness at the Aurōra Spa, and spectacular entertainment including Broadway-standard shows. With a legacy of unrivaled service and commitment to sophistication and elegance at every touchpoint, once onboard guests feel as if they are perfectly at home.

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