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An Immersive Voyage Tracing The Path Of The Allied Forces, Featuring Exclusive Insights
From Special Guests And Lecturers



MIAMI, FL (April 22, 2024) — Crystal, the leader in cruising and enriching travel experiences, announces a special voyage tracing the path of Allied forces during World War II, marking the 80th anniversary year of D-Day. Set to sail aboard the elegant Crystal Symphony from Sept. 18 to 26, 2024, this immersive journey brings together a remarkable group of special guests and lecturers, offering exclusive insights into one of the most significant events in modern history.

Departing from Dover, England, guests will embark on an 8-night voyage, following in the footsteps of the brave men and women who shaped the course of the war. The carefully crafted itinerary includes stops in Ijmuiden, just 17 miles from Amsterdam, during the 80th anniversary of Operation Market Garden. The journey continues to Zeebrugge, Belgium, with an optional tour to Dunkirk, before arriving in Rouen, France for three days, where guests also have the option to explore the D-Day landing sites of Normandy.

Special Guests & Lecturers Include:

- **Dr. Erica Miller:** International best-selling author and Holocaust survivor Dr. Miller will provide a compelling narrative of her journey from her childhood in Romania to life under a brutal Nazi regime and eventual immigration to America.
- George Luz Jr.: Luz will share captivating stories about his father and other members of Easy Company, which parachuted into Normandy on D-Day and participated in Operation Market Garden and the Battle of the Bulge. George's presentation, titled "Through My Father's Eyes," includes personal photos, letters, and rare audio of the men featured in Stephen E. Ambrose's book. He was portrayed by Rick Gomez in the HBO miniseries "Band of Brothers," produced by Tom Hanks and Steven Spielberg.

• Commander Robert E. Bradshaw: Commander Bradshaw (ret), a respected Navy Chaplain with a distinguished military career spanning nearly four decades, will offer insights into his service and experiences with various military units, including deployments to conflict zones such as Iraq and Afghanistan.

"Remembering the heroes of D-Day and observing their sacrifices is an honor for Crystal," said Cristina Levis, CEO of A&K Travel Group. "We are committed to providing guests with an immersive and meaningful experience that pays tribute to the bravery and resilience of those who fought for freedom. And, while we recognize that the sailing isn't on the exact anniversary, June 6, we are proud to join several others celebrating this esteemed anniversary around the world over the course of 2024."

For more information about this sailing, visit www.crystalcruises.com.

About Crystal

For more than three decades Crystal has been synonymous with exceptional, award-winning voyages. In 2022 A&K Travel Group acquired the Crystal brand and its two vessels, *Crystal Serenity* and *Crystal Symphony*, ushering in a new era of Exceptional at Sea. 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, destinations, and the latest cultural makers around the world. The reimagined ships boast larger, updated suites with artisanal finishes, new cutting-edge wellness offerings, spectacular entertainment, and complimentary world-class dining - including the return of UMI UMA - the only dining experience by Michelin-Star Chef Master Chef Nobuyuki (Nobu) at sea. With a legacy of unrivaled service and commitment to sophistication and elegance at every touchpoint, once on-board passengers feel as if they are perfectly at home.

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