



Blue Notes



FESTIVAL AT SEA

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IF YOU KNOW THE COUPLE ON THE COVER, LET US KNOW SO WE CAN SHOUT THEM OUT!

FAS SHIPMATES: PASSENGERS MAKING WAVES

Festival at Sea would like to recognize the many contributions that our passengers have made to its history over the years. SHIPMATES is a feature that we are dedicating to our passengers who have individually contributed in special ways to make Festival at Sea a memorable cruise experience for everyone.

This newsletter we are highlighting a Shipmate that put the spotlight on our cruise! They posted a couple videos about Festival at Sea on TikTok that went viral after the cruise receiving over 90 thousand likes and over 500 thousand views between them. Those videos attracted a new demographic to our cruise. Festival at Sea grew out of the 90's through word-of-mouth. You all simply went home and told your family and friends about us. Thank you to Lauren Black for continuing this tradition with a new and expansive twist. They are Influencer of the year!

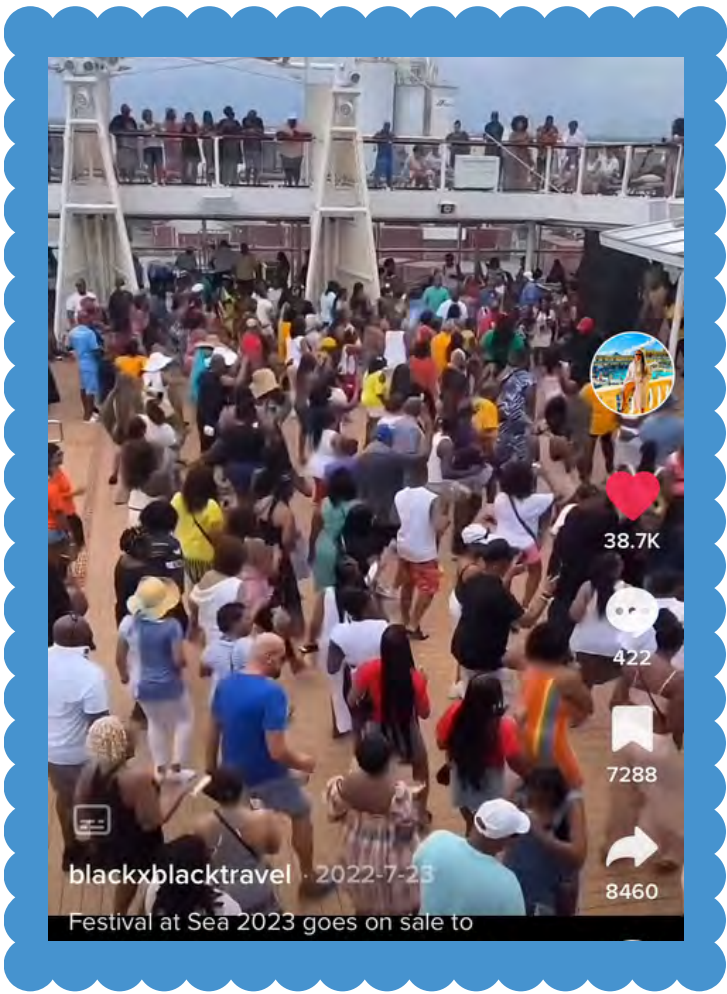
Patricia Nicholson Yarbrough
President & Founder
Blue World Travel Corp.

Lauren's Story

FAS Influencer of the Year!

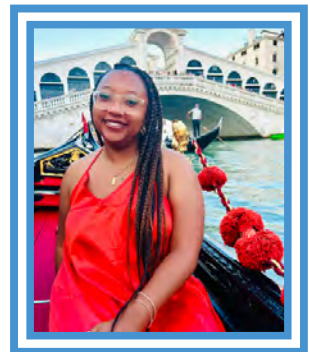
My first experience with FAS was 28 years ago when my mom was pregnant with me so I can't say that I remember much. Now all these years later, I can confidently say that FAS is an experience like no other. As an avid traveler, I've been on several cruises but those experiences pale in comparison. Those vacations were nice, but I always left feeling like something was missing. They didn't play the music I wanted to hear, the comedians made jokes about topics I couldn't relate to, the food wasn't good, and the on-ship activities didn't interest me. Traveling with FAS, I quickly realized I didn't have to worry about those things as they had already been accounted for in this curated experience that truly is for US.

When I travel I document my experiences for myself, but also for my peers to encourage other people my age to see the world. As I shared pictures and videos on Instagram, I constantly got questions about the cruise from followers. After having conversations with some friends I met on the ship and observing our fellow cruise-goers, it became clear that so many people in our age range (25-30) didn't know about the cruise. With that in mind and due to the constant stream of questions I was receiving from friends at home, I was inspired to create a TikTok – with the help of apps like CapCut– that highlighted the cruise to help spread the word. I selected a song that was trending at the time to play in the background, added Black travel-related hashtags to ensure the video was seen by other Black people, and watched as the video quickly went viral. Within a few days I was able to share with hundreds of thousands of people my favorite moments of the cruise from the all white party to the day party on the beach in Haiti. -- Thank you Lauren!



[CLICK HERE TO
VIEW THE TIKTOK](#)

1 of 4 videos posted
about Festival at Sea on their
social media accounts.
One had over 60K likes!



Lauren Black

FESTIVAL AT SEA

Welcomes...



Hailed as “The Bad Boys of R&B,” Jodeci is one of the most influential R&B groups of all time. In July 2023, the multi-platinum group will take center stage as they headline the Jodeci Summer Block Party Tour, joined by SWV and Dru Hill. Members K-Ci, DeVante Swing, JoJo, and Mr. Dalvin have sold over 20 million records worldwide, giving us hit songs “Forever My Lady,” “Stay,” “Come & Talk To Me,” “Freek’n You,” and “Love U 4 Life.” Jodeci continues to be a trendsetting force throughout the culture with chart-topping hits, soulful harmonies, and signature style.

In 2021, Jodeci reunited and signed with P Music Group for management. To kick off their reunion, Jodeci joined Charlie Wilson and New Edition for a 30-city tour in 2022, on the critically acclaimed “The Culture Tour.” The tour was followed by a powerful performance at the 2022 BET Awards paying homage to Diddy with a medley of their famed hits. Jodeci’s legendary sound and style have shaped the world of R&B and continue to influence a new generation of artists. Festival at Sea Family, welcome Jodeci!

FESTIVAL AT SEA

Welcomes...



LEDISI

Welcome Ledisi! 2021 Grammy winner and twelve time Grammy nominated powerhouse vocalist with a career spanning almost two decades. Since arriving on the scene in the late 1990's, she's garnered three Soul Train Music awards, an NAACP Theater Award and six NAACP Image Award nominations. Most recently, Ledisi received two LA Alliance Ovation Award nominations one for Best Featured Actress in a Musical.

Born in New Orleans and raised in Oakland, CA, Ledisi has wowed fans with her unparalleled vocals ever since she burst onto the scene. She has truly earned a place in the pantheon of the greatest singers of her generation. Ledisi is a favorite of The Obamas and a long list of icons including the late-Prince, Patti LaBelle, Smokey Robinson, Stevie Wonder, Chaka Khan and so many more. She has headlined two nationally sold-out tours, performed alongside Dave Matthews, Kelly Clarkson, Vince Gill and Maxwell as well as jazz greats Herbie Hancock and Patti Austin.

When you speak of women in entertainment Ledisi is on her way to becoming a crucial part of that conversation. "I am finally realizing my limitless potential as a creative and also now as a businesswoman." Family get ready for Ledisi!

FESTIVAL AT SEA

Presents...



DJ Jazzy Jeff is a renowned DJ, music producer, and entrepreneur with a thriving career that spans more than three decades. Jeff's rich legacy in music includes a DMC Championship, and multiple GRAMMY Award, American Music Award, and NAACP Image Award wins and nominations. Introduced to the world as one half of DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince, his accomplishments extend beyond his multi-platinum, Grammy-winning collaborations with Will Smith.

Notable is his acclaimed production company, A Touch of Jazz, credited for work with Michael Jackson, Jill Scott, Darius Rucker, and more. In 2015, he founded the PLAYLIST Retreat, an invitation-only event that brings artists together to inspire, motivate, and fuel collaboration. Prior to 2020, DJ Jazzy Jeff performed all over the globe and chronicled his travels in his Vinyl Destination web series. And when a global pandemic forced the world into lockdown, Jeff moved the party, literally, in-house with his signature livestream series, The Magnificent House Party. The Magnificent Jazzy Jeff will feature on White Night!

FESTIVAL AT SEA

Presents...

50 YEARS OF HIP-HOP DECK PARTY

I know some of our cruisers cannot believe it — this year **Hip-Hop** is turning 50 YEARS OLD!

Hip-Hop's birthday has been identified according to a party thrown by Cindy Campbell with her brother Clive, known as Kool Herc, Djing. Herc is credited with creating the "Merry-Go-Round" technique to keep the dance floor movin'. A flyer from their famously known Back to School Jam was dated August 11th, 1973 and has been deemed by many to be the establishing date, making 2023 a celebration of 50 years of Hip Hop culture.

Festival at Sea parties champion all different styles of music throughout our trip and we would be remiss to not include a celebration of a genre that has heavily influenced our style and culture throughout our travels and the community we serve. To honor the growth of this young genre, we will be throwing a third deck party and we will be bringing along a **legendary Hip-Hop MC!** Trust us, you will not want to miss The Show!

There is no costume contest for this theme night, however, we welcome passengers to dress up to represent their favorite era of Hip-Hop across its **five decades**. We are looking forward to a fun night!

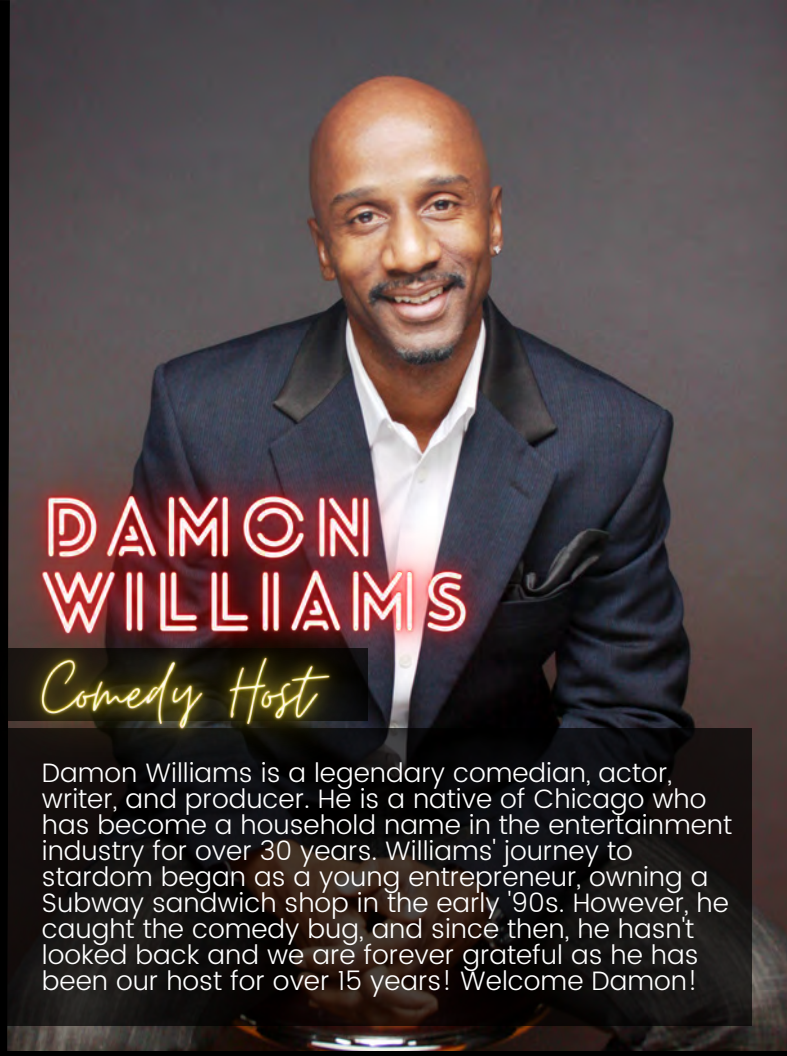
MORE ENTERTAINMENT TO COME IN OUR JUNE BLUE NOTES!



JON SAXX & ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

Resident Band

Witnessing Jon Saxx in his element, whether his eyes are hidden under one of his signature hats or if he is wearing one of his stunning 3 piece suits, you realize you are watching a man possessed by the spirit of jazz. His love of playing music comes as natural as his own heartbeat and he is backed by a group of band members that know how to keep all of our passengers' blood pumping. Welcome Jon Saxx and Endless Possibilities!



DAMON WILLIAMS

Comedy Host

Damon Williams is a legendary comedian, actor, writer, and producer. He is a native of Chicago who has become a household name in the entertainment industry for over 30 years. Williams' journey to stardom began as a young entrepreneur, owning a Subway sandwich shop in the early '90s. However, he caught the comedy bug, and since then, he hasn't looked back and we are forever grateful as he has been our host for over 15 years! Welcome Damon!



DJ KHARISMA

2022 DJ Battle Winner

Meet DJ Kharisma, one of the hottest female DJs to hit the scene. As heard on Sirius XM, Rock the Bells radio, Shade 45, WBLS, and now has her own weekly mix-show on New York's #1 radio station for throwbacks, 94.7, The Block. DJ Kharisma is also a Twitch partner who has been voted Best RnB Streamer two years in a row. She has worked alongside names like Paris Hilton, Khloe Kardashian, Carry Underwood and countless brands such as Google, Bose, and Nike to name a few. Welcome back and congratulations DJ Kharisma!



TACARRA WILLIAMS

2022 Last Comic Sailing Winner

Known as "The Beautiful Beast" comedy, from the moment she picks up the microphone, until she walks off stage, audiences erupt in laughter. Using her hard-won wisdom learned from the streets of NYC, her experience as a young mother, and her most recent endeavor as a Life Skills coach to inmates in the largest jail system in America, Tacarra dares to be the voice for every woman, never afraid to say what is on everyone's mind, refusing to bow down to the prejudiced opinions of men. Congratulations Tacarra and welcome back!

ACTIVITIES

SIGN UP NOW!

RENEWAL OF WEDDING VOWS | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

Reestablish that lifelong commitment you made with your special someone!

BID WHIST TOURNAMENT | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

Grab a partner, count up them books and may the best team win!

DOMINOES TOURNAMENT | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

Nothing like a good game of bones! The ships tables are ready and sturdy.

STARTING 2: 2V2 BASKETBALL | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

Last year our tournament came down to the last shot! Who will win it all in 2023!?

STOMP THE DECK! | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

Calling all members of our Sororities and Fraternities to the deck! Show us what you got!

FAS CELEBRATION CHOIR | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

We cannot go anywhere without praising the most high! Join the choir and lift your voice!

FASHION WEEK @ SEA | P. 12

Lead by our designer Marilyn Walker, now is your chance to strut your stuff and walk that runway!

WOMAN'S HOUR OF POWER | P. 14

Join Karwana as we take a moment to discuss business with three premier guests.

15TH ANNUAL UNCF BACHELOR AUCTION | P. 15

Fellas -- time to donate your beauty and appeal to a great cause! Be a Bachelor! 21+ Only.

BLACK WALL STREET @ SEA | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

Calling all entrepreneurs, business owners, gig workers, and side hustlers – Montez Jones hosts

MILITARY VETERAN CELEBRATION | [SIGN UP NOW](#)

Have you or are you currently serving our country? This event is curated for you!



Dominoes Tournament



Renewal of Wedding Vows



STOMP THE DECK!



Starting 2: 2v2 Basketball Tournament



15th UNCF Bachelor Auction



FAS Celebration Choir

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

OH, WHAT FUN!

CHRISTMAS IN JULY EVENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 23RD:

'T WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS...

DECK THE HALLS!

FAS is just as much your cruise as it is ours and one of our passengers, Andre Kirkendoll, suggested we do a Door Decoration Contest! So bring your decorative materials and let us see your art and craft skills! Rules and material guidelines will be shared in our Summer Blue Notes.



MONDAY, JULY 24TH: CHRISTMAS DAY!

ELF ON THE SHELF SCAVENGER HUNT

Black Santa's elves are loose and running all over the ship! Will you be the passengers that finds where they are all hiding!? Details in Summer Blue Notes.

PHOTOS WITH THE REAL BLACK SANTA!

Don't forget to get photos with our Santa! Welcome to kids from 1 to 92! ;)

CHRISTMAS IN JULY DECK PARTY!

Calling all Elves, Reindeer, Grinches, Scrooges and more! Dress up representing Christmas in the best way you know how. Prizes will be given for Best Male, Female, Couple, Family and Group.

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER CONTEST

Who has the best Ugly Christmas Sweater? Yes, we know, we know. "A sweater contest in JULY the CARIBBEAN!?" Be cool! The event will be held indoors at the Grand Foyer.



YOU BETTER WATCH OUT!

WHAT TO EXPECT OVER THE NEXT 2 MONTHS!

DINING ARRANGMENT REQUESTS

- **GROUPS:** If you are in a group, you will not receive a dining form. Your group leader will arrange dining for the entire group.
- **INDIVIDUALS:** If you are not assigned a group number but are traveling with others you want to dine with, select one person to fill out the form for your party. If you are not traveling with others, we will assign you with some of our other Festival at Sea passengers.
- **AQUA CLASS:** No dining forms are required for BLU Restaurant.
- **SUITES:** No dining forms are required for Luminae Restaurant.

CRUISE DOCUMENTS

You will receive notification via email with your Celebrity Booking Number and instructions on how to go online and register for the cruise approximately 3 weeks prior to sailing. At that time, you will be able to go online purchase you drink packages, shore excursions and spa services.

KIDS & TEENS

If you're traveling with children and Teens, look for an email with information about what takes place at these programs.

AND DON'T FORGET!

SUMMER BLUE NOTES

- More entertainment
- Gospel Brunch Sign Ups
- Festival at Sea DJs
- Dance Lessons & Instructors
- Fitness Classes & Instructors
- Additional Activity Information:
 - Gospel Choir
 - STOMP THE DECK
 - African-American Idol
- Games & Onboard Activities
- Tours & Shore Excurions
- Onboard Shopping
- E-Cruise Documents

POTENTIAL TIP! DRINK PACKAGES

CLASSIC | \$89/DAY

A fantastic array of liquors, wines for any palate, beers from light and crisp to dark and robust, plus alcoholic drinks up to \$10. Wines by the bottle are discounted by 15%.

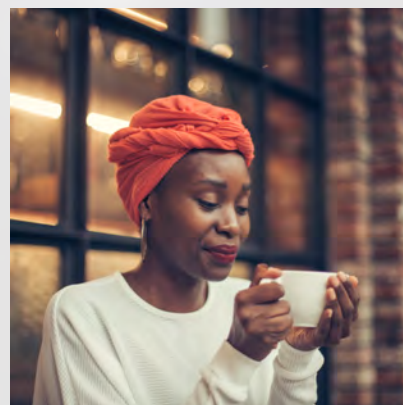


PREMIUM | \$109/DAY

Start your morning with fresh squeezed orange juice and a premium coffee, enjoy a frozen cocktail by the pool, and then a glass of wine with dinner. Enjoy all the spirits listed in the Classic Package, plus drinks up to \$17. Wines by the bottle are discounted by 20%.

ZERO PROOF | \$30/DAY

Refresh with premium bottled water from Evian, Perrier, San Pellegrino, & Panna. Specialty Coffees & Organic Teas, Red Bull Energy Drink, Frozen Smoothies, Zero Proof Cocktails, Coca-Cola selections, offerings from Vitamin Water, Aqua Spa Fresh Juice, and Bottled Iced Teas.



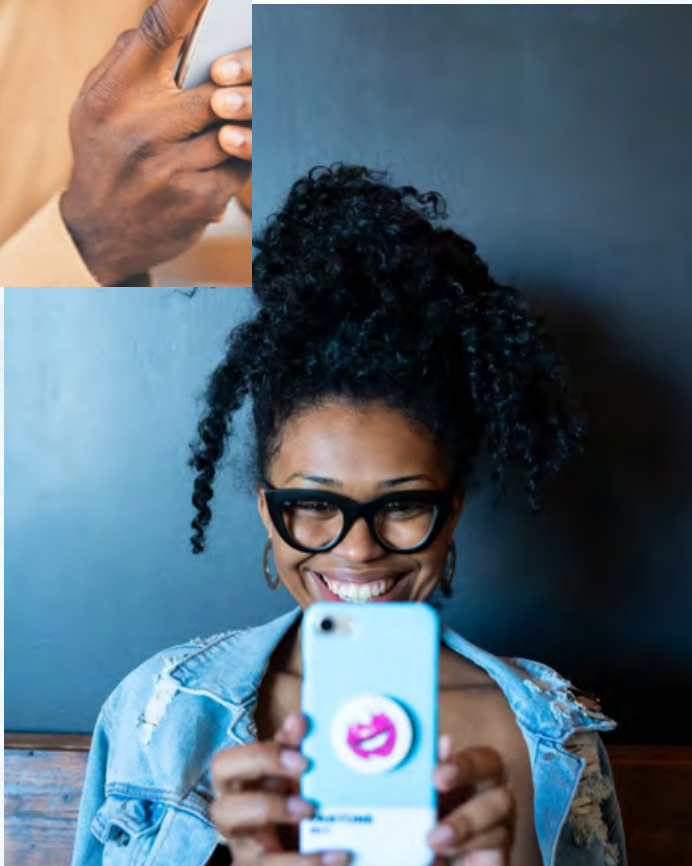
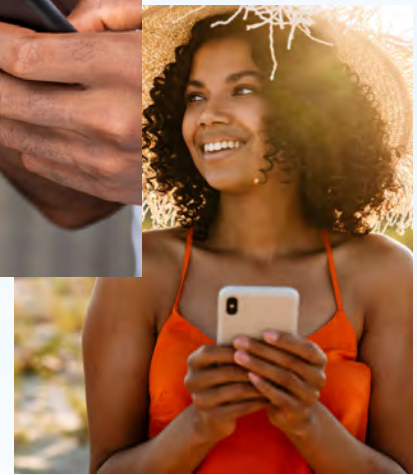
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[**CLICK HERE FOR PACKAGE DETAILS**](#)

STAY CONNECTED!

BASIC | \$20/DAY

- WEB BROWSING
- TEXTING/MESSAGING
- ACCESS EMAILS



PREMIUM | \$35/DAY

- WEB BROWSING
- TEXTING/MESSAGING
- ACCESS EMAILS
- SHARE PHOTOS
- SHARE VIDEOS
- EXCHANGE/SHARE FILE ATTACHMENTS
- POST PHOTOS
- POST VIDEOS
- STEAM VIDEOS
- VIDEO CHAT

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Fashion Week @ Sea

WITH MARILYN WALKER

Marilyn Walker, fashion role model and fashion designer is the Creative Director of FAS Fashion Week @ Sea 2023.

Be ready to experience Marilyn's Wakandan Afro Evolutionary Fashion Xtravaganza with selections from her **Marie Francis Designs** collection. This year she will showcase an evolution of fashion that tantalizes the soul for any and every occasion.

"Making the World Your Red Carpet" lives up to its motto with fashion transcending Afrocentric glamorized formal wear colliding with urbanized streetwear. There is nothing as sophisticated as black and white for that special occasion or as essential as Rhythm and Blues for that jazzy evening affair. Additionally, to complement our runway fashion extravaganza, locally handmade and authentic accessories will be provided straight out of Africa.

To set the stage for an exciting fashion journey our very own Festival at Sea host, Timothy Alexander White will be the Wakandan host. Our show will be in every sense a tribute to Chadwick Boseman aka T'Challa, our Wakandan King. Expect to walk into the feeling of an African village as our show will be fully infused with a rendition of drumming and short poetic narrations by the multi-talented Tuere Cheka. Join us as we recreate our very own depiction of a Wakandan village through fashion, drums and creative vocal artistry.

We invite all you superstars to join us in the Wakanda Village regardless of age, size, height, sassiness or dopeness...you have a place on stage. So please sign up early to strut your stuff at FAS' Fashion Week @ Sea Afro-Evolution Wakandan Fashion Xtravaganza scheduled to take place on Friday July 28th, 2023. **Model casting, meet and greet and initial rehearsal will take place on Sunday July 23, 2023, in the Celebrity Central Theater at 9:00 am.**

To **sign up** in advance email Marilyn Walker at marilynwalker1218@gmail.com with a request to be in the show or to volunteer. Marie Francis Designs collection and models fittings will be located on Deck 14 Rear in the Sky Conference Center.

EMAIL HERE



HAVE YOUR FAS AND CABIN NUMBER READY WHEN BOOKING

HOTELS

LE MERIDIEN, 1 KING BED



[BOOK HERE](#)

1 KING BED, 2 NIGHTS

Double rate: \$314pp

Single rate: \$572

This is the Pre-Cruise Party Hotel. 3 restaurants, including 1 serving Latin American fare, plus a heated outdoor pool and a 24-hour fitness center

1 KING BED, 2 NIGHTS

Double rate: \$363pp
Single rate: \$670

On the Beach! Includes free wifi for up to 5 devices, 1 hour non motorized water sports rental, 1 hour bicycle rental and a daily fitness class.

DIPLOMAT, 1 KING BED



[BOOK HERE](#)

2 QUEEN BEDS, 2 NIGHTS

Double rate: \$363pp
Single rate: \$670

On the Beach! Includes free wifi for up to 5 devices, 1 hour non motorized water sports rental, 1 hour bicycle rental and a daily fitness class.

DIPLOMAT, 2 QUEEN BEDS



[BOOK HERE](#)

DOUBLETREE, 1 KING BED



[BOOK HERE](#)

1 KING BED, 2 NIGHTS

Double rate: \$266pp

Single rate: \$490

Great value. Has a casual restaurant overlooking the waterway and a bar, plus a fitness center, an outdoor pool and a garden patio.

DOUBLE TREE, 2 QUEEN BEDS



[BOOK HERE](#)

2 QUEEN BEDS, 2 NIGHTS

Double rate: \$266

Single rate: \$490

Great value. Has a casual restaurant overlooking the waterway and a bar, plus a fitness center, an outdoor pool and a garden patio.

All packages include: Room Rate, Room Tax, Housekeeping, Bellman, Luggage Pull & Pier Portage, the Pre-Cruise party at Le Meridien Hotel and transfers to the ship. All three packages have a 2-night minimum. Extra night rates are also available.

Women's Hour of Power

WITH DR. KARWANNA D.

We are looking for panelists to join our discussion!

Are you ready to connect with other **powerful women**, grow your **resources** and redefine your **purpose**? If so, we want to invite you to the **Hour of Power, 2023 a Women's Empowerment Business Network**.

We are currently **seeking 2-3 women** in business with **professional expertise** in their fields and successes that they can speak to and share knowledge on to join our 2023 panel of speakers.

[Click here](#) to watch Karwanna's latest announcement!

Email Karwanna to become a panelist:
Karwannal@gmail.com

Be on the look out for more details as we get closer to Festival at Sea 2023.



Black Wall Street @ Sea

HOSTED BY MONTEZ JONES

Showcase your brand, product, or service onboard. Sign up!

Calling all entrepreneurs, business owners, gig workers, and side hustlers – this is your opportunity to showcase what you do! Bring your best 30-second elevator pitch and have those business cards handy. This is our opportunity to come together and network during Black Wall Street at Sea.

Formally BIZ eXchange, BWSAS is the surest way to meet and network with other Black-Owned firms, contractors, builders, owners, executives, coaches, speakers and many more Black leaders and community stakeholders.

With BWSAS you will leave better connected, informed, & prepared to conduct business after departing the Equinox with help from your FAS Family. Come and learn about the “Mindset Shift – The Shift from Employee to Entrepreneur!”

Let us return to the financial path our ancestors intended to pave for us when Black Wall Street first began.



15TH ANNUAL UNCF BACHELOR AUCTION



Who will be our 12 Bachelors at Sea!?

In 2022, we had one of our biggest years yet as you all pulled in over \$50,000 for our 30th Anniversary!

Fellas, you do not have to be “20 something” to join in on the fun. It is open to all willing bachelors ages 21 and up and we encouraged our passengers of every generation to sign up.

Write an email to FAS.bachelors@gmail.com requesting an application. Once you do, you will be sent a Bachelor's Auction form to be completed and returned.

Auction **winner**s will have dinner with their Bachelor along with **champagne** and **VIP seating** with your date at one of our concerts.

Ladies, get ready for a fun afternoon bidding on one of our fine Festival at Sea brothers. There is no registration required to attend or bid.

Just come, bid and have a good time!

EMAIL TO SIGN UP

30TH ANNUAL CHILDREN'S BOOK DRIVE



REMINDER:
PUT A BOOK
IN YOUR BAG!

The Children's **Book Drive** began on our 2nd FAS voyage. 30 years later, Festival at Sea passengers have **donated** over **25,000 books** to children throughout the Caribbean!

This years our donation will go to the children of **Montego Bay**. Remember when you are getting ready to pack your suitcase for FAS23, make sure to add a **new children's book** in your luggage. We also strongly encourage our passengers to bring **school supplies** and other **learning tools** as well!

You will have the opportunity to print out a **book plate** to put into the **book** you donate. This book plate will be used for children to identify what state and city you live in. With almost **3,000 passengers** onboard, we are hoping to donate over **3,000 new books!**

I AIN'T GOT NO WORRIES!

(BECAUSE I HAVE TRAVEL INSURANCE)

Although we fully expect and hope no interruptions prevent us from connecting this fall, however should something come up we recommend that you purchase a **travel protection plan** to protect your travel investment at least **14 days prior** to embarkation. For your convenience, we recommend **Travelex Insurance Services**. For more information on the available plans or to enroll, visit travelexinsurance.com.

You can call **800-228-9792** and reference our **location# (05-1094)** to get more info.



AND DON'T FORGET!

PASSPORT OR BIRTH CERTIFICATE

US Citizens must travel with **proof of citizenship** which is a Valid US Photo ID and your birth certificate. However, if you wish to get a **US passport**, you should inquire how long it will take for you to receive your passport prior to submitting an application.

For information about obtaining a United States Passport visit www.travel.state.gov.

Ordinarily, a passport can take up to six weeks to be processed and mailed back to you, so if you do not have yours or if it will be **expired on or prior to** our sailing please begin the process now!

Shout Outs

Did you forget
to send a shout out?
We got you next time!

[CLICK
HERE](#)

JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1 - Chase Patterson
July 3 - Cheryl Spencer
July 3 - Seymore Douglas
July 7 - Cecilia Carter
July 7 - Kim Robinson Sr.
July 8 - Sha Qweda Strong
July 10 - Carolyn German
July 11 - Phyllis Artis
July 11 - Jade Osborne
July 12 - David Hughes Jr.
July 13 - Briggette Jones
July 13 - Rhona Hampton
July 13 - Brianna Butler
July 15 - James Corbett
July 16 - Willie Brown
July 16 - Julia Jones
July 16 - Angela Reed
July 16 - Rory Tatum Sr.
July 16 - Manuel Suber



Timothy Alexander White - July 16
Calvin (Mr. Smooth) Sibert - July 17
Charlesetta Ball - July 19
Lena Eaton - July 19
Davian McWilliams - July 20
Patricia McNutt - July 22
William Hemby - July 22
Rakale Quarells - July 22
Veola Edge - July 24
Kisha Williams - July 24
Mavis Harris - July 25
Jarred Ray - July 26
Olivia Hunter - July 26
Sharon Scott - July 26
Devin Wilson - July 26
Xavier Butler-Graham - July 27
Melanie Jackson - July 28
Sharon Williams - July 29
Joyce McWilliams - July 29

Shout Outs

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Donna Ausby - August 1
Henry Anderson - August 1
DMOE - August 3
Kenneth Holland - August 4
Tori Moore - August 5
Naomi Price - August 5
Ashlee Edwards - August 5
Sharon McLucas - August 8
Chad Houston - August 11
Sharon Coleman - August 11
Leslyn Rose-Franklin - August 14
Regina Jones - August 16
Johnnie Hughes - August 18
Donnie Valentine - August 20
Maurice McCary - August 24
Joann Morrison - August 30

BIRTHDAY MILESTONES

16 - Norah Price - November 10th
45 - Shavon Jackson - April 25th
50 - Curtis Carpenter - January 13th
55 - Dorothy Ellis - December 22nd
60 - Robin Stone - June 26th
65 - Cassandra Jackson - June 3rd
65 - Gary Bass - May 8th
65 - Patrice Ables-Vance - April 28th
70 - Robin Angel - July 1st
70 - Brent Joseph - June 8th
70 - Eugene Boyd - March 25th
70 - Larry Walton - July 1st
70 - Andre Price - December 24th
70 - Rev. Cynthia Joseph - January 1st
80 - Mariella Cobb - October 10th

Shout Outs

RETIREMENTS

Congratulations to Janet Price who is retiring from the BNSF Railroad after 32 years.

Congratulations to Rev. Cynthia Joesph who is retiring from the Fellowship Manor of Bethel AME Church after 29 years.

Congratulations to Benjamin Hughes who is retiring from the Illinois Secretary of State after 48 years.

Congratulations to Vetta Dunston who is retiring from the MissionSquare Retirement after 32 years.

Congratulations to Cecilia Carter who is retiring from the Los Angeles County Fire Department after 32 years.

Congratulations to Linda Connelly who is retiring from Utility & Hospital after 43 years.

Congratulations to Barbara Hall who is retiring from the Department of Defense after 40 years.

GRADUATES

Tiffany Wiggins - Coppin State University - BS in Business Management

Robby Armstrong - California State University Northridge - BBA, Bachelor of Business Administration

Shout Outs

ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Years - Jesse Davis & Nadine Davis - July 24th
5 Years - Sharon & Brian Teal-McCullough - January 12th
9 Years - Cherise & Jacob Wilson - July 12th
9 Years - Lenard & Shawn Person - August 22
10 Years - Curtis & Eva Carpenter - August 31st
11 Years - Wayne & Janet Price - August 3
14 Years - Charles & Tiffany Wiggins - August 1st
15 Years - Rhonda Allen-Barron & Brian Barron - October 22nd
20 Years - Conrad & Vanessa Johnson - February 10th
21 Years - Dana Toney & Arneshia Cross-Toney - November 17th
21 Years - Michael & Phyllis Artis - March 6th
23 Years - Louretha & Tommie Worthy - May 29th
25 Years - Ruby Crump-Dickerson & Arvester Dickerson - May 8th
26 Years - Henry & Faye Anderson - May 25th
29 Years - Ronell & Dorothy Ellis - September 3rd
31 Years - Michael & Jeanett Burris - March 20th
31 Years - David & Sharon McLucas - August 8th
34 Years - Baker & Shantal "Peaches" Cabell - January 19th
34 Years - Robin & Henry Reed - November 21st
35 Years - Jimmie & Charlie Jay - March 12th
36 Years - Jeffrey & Elvia Butler - March 23rd
37 Years - Benjamin & Johnnie Hughes - September 27th
37 Years - Valicia & Warner Johnson - August 23rd
43 Years - Kenny "Love" & Marsha "Hope" Alexander - Oct. 11th
44 Years - LaGuan & Sheryl Lea - June 23rd
47 Years - Donald & Rosalind Cole - July 17th
48 Years - Alfred & Rhonda Scott - April 26th
49 Years - Gina & Marvin Davis - August 3rd
53 Years - Clarence & Charlesetta Ball - August 20th
N/A Years - Leslyn Rose-Franklin & Ronald Franklin Sr. - July 6th

