



Cruise Weekly today

CRUISE Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news.

Nth Xplorer x DNV

FLEDGLING cruise line Northern Xplorer has chosen international accredited registrar DNV as classification partner for the building of its first zero-emission ship.

DNV will be responsible for newbuilding supervision and classification of the vessel, which is scheduled for delivery by 2026.

The registrar will also engage with flag requirements and technology providers on the enhancement of rules and standards for the safe operation of hydrogen-powered ships, as well as the approval of the ship's main drawings, hull, and machinery.

CLIA Awards to finally return in Mar

CRUISE Lines International Association's (CLIA) annual Awards will return on 11 Mar, in a celebration of the industry's resilience (**CW** breaking news).

The Australian cruise sector's biggest night of celebration will be hosted for the 20th time next year, with nominations for the Awards opening today.

It is the first time "the CLIAs" have been held in three years, allowing the cruise industry to honour the determination and resilience shown by the travel advisor community in Australia.

The Awards will be announced at Big Top Sydney, at Luna Park (pictured), with actor Tim Campbell to return as host.

Eighteen award categories will be judged, including 11 open to self- or peer nomination.

The Awards are open to all current CLIA members, with nominations open for the month



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CLIA's local Managing Director Joel Katz said next year is the perfect time to bring back the Awards, which will play a special role in recognising the tenacity of Australia's travel advisors, as well

as their expertise and success.

"Over the past few years, we've seen extraordinary courage and conviction from our travel agent members who have rallied behind cruising and helped put us back on a course for recovery," he said.

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Sydney	Doltone House Sylvania Waters	Thursday, 24 November 2022	11:00am - 1:00pm
Perth	Westin Perth	Thursday, 16 February 2023	11:00am - 1:00pm & 4:00pm - 6:00pm
Auckland	Park Hyatt	Thursday, 1 December 2022	10:30am - 12:30pm & 5:30pm - 7:30pm

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GERMANS love soccer, and to celebrate the upcoming FIFA World Cup, guests aboard an AIDA Cruises voyage during the tournament will be able to watch "the beautiful game" on their ship.

The World Cup will be broadcast on all 12 AIDA ships, while German games will be an even bigger party.

'Die Nationalelf' fixtures will be shown on large LED screens in the Theatrium, on the Pool Deck, or in the Four Elements area.

There will also be soccer-themed games and activities on board during the Cup, such as soccer quizzes and expert panels.



Prima makes debut in the heart of Texas

NORWEGIAN Cruise Line and American singer Kelly Clarkson have celebrated *Norwegian Prima's* Texas debut this week.

Clarkson, who is also Godmother to *Norwegian Encore*, gave a performance during the cruise, with special guests including President & Chief Executive Officer Harry Sommer and *Norwegian Bliss* Godfather Elvis Duran.

The singer delivered a rendition of her chart-topping hits, including *Miss Independent*, *Stronger*, and *Since U Been Gone*.

Also celebrating during the voyage are 100 winning educators, who have scored a free cruise aboard *Prima* as part of Norwegian's "Giving Joy" award ceremony.

Norwegian donated nearly USD\$170,000 to the winning teachers' schools.

"It was such an honour to celebrate the 100 deserving winners of Norwegian's Giving Joy program at *Norwegian Prima's* inaugural sailing, which embarked from my home state of Texas," Clarkson enthused.

"Teachers are our true everyday



unsung heroes, and they play an integral role in our society, not only shaping the future of their students, but the future of their communities as well.

"I couldn't miss the opportunity to participate in this program and give a special performance before they set sail on the trip of a lifetime!"

Giving Joy is a month-long campaign which launched during the United States' National Teacher Appreciation Week (02-06 May) to recognise deserving educators for their unwavering commitment to their classroom.

Following *Prima's* inaugural

voyage from Galveston, she will sail an 11-day itinerary to the Caribbean with calls to Cozumel, Oranjestad, Kralendijk, and Norwegian's private island in the Bahamas, Great Stirrup Cay, before arriving in Miami for her debut from South Florida.

She will return to Galveston for a season of Caribbean voyages in the winter of 2023/2024.

Pictured are Sommer (second from left) and Clarkson (third from left) with Senior Vice President Branding & Communications Christine Da Silva (far right) and the three Giving Joy winners.

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