

PORT AUTHORITY OF GUAM

JOSE D. LEON GUERRERO COMMERCIAL PORT

1026 Cabras Highway, Suite 201 Piti, GU 96915

Phone: (671) 477-5931 Fax: (671) 477-2689

Website: www.portguam.com



New Release

Queen Mary 2 makes second visit

Luxury liner will bring nearly 4,000 passenger and crew to our island

Piti, Guam, March 5, 2011: The largest passenger cruise ship to ever sail into Apra Harbor will make a second visit to Guam arriving early Monday morning, March 7 bringing 3,900 passengers and crew to Guam.

The Queen Mary 2 is recognized as the grandest, most luxurious ocean liner ever built. It is the flagship of the Cunard Cruise Lines and is as tall as a 21-story building, 147 feet taller than the Eiffel Tower and more than four city blocks in length. The cruise ship will arrive dockside at 6 a.m. and will depart at 5 p.m. the same day.

Port Authority of Guam staff along with ship agent Inchcape Shipping Services has spent the last few weeks working with Guam Customs, U.S. Immigration, U.S. Coast Guard, and tour companies to ensure a pleasurable stopover for our visitors.

“The arrival of the Queen Mary 2 shows the interest in our island by those in the cruise industry and we are proud to welcome such a magnificent cruise ship to our docks,” said Port General Manager Pedro A. Leon Guerrero, Jr.

Queen Mary 2 made her first visit to Guam last year, February 22. This is her fourth World Voyage which started in New York and her second passage sailing on an east-west route around the globe. After a call in Fort Lauderdale, the ship headed to the Caribbean and South America, calling on Barbados, Brazil and Uruguay before arriving for an overnight stay in the city of Cape Town in South Africa. From there she sailed to the island of Mauritius in the Indian Ocean before an exploration of Australia that culminated with an overnight stay in Sydney. The ship continued on to New Zealand and will make a stop in Guam before sailing to China and Japan en-route to an overnight stay in Hong Kong, followed by visits to Vietnam, Singapore, Thailand and India en-route to Dubai. From there, Queen Mary 2 will call in Egypt before making a transit of the Suez Canal that will take her to European calls in Italy, Monaco, Spain and the United Kingdom, her last call before ending her 103-day odyssey in New York. Full World Voyage fares start from \$19,995 per person.

The 2,600 passengers and 1,300 crew members will be met by Miss Guam Earth beauty queens along with the 2011 contestants. They will also be welcomed by local dancers and entertainers from *Irensian Taotao Tano*. The same group will perform a farewell dance as the ship leaves our docks at 5pm.

The Port will also have the vendor program set up along their front parking area. Unlike prior passenger vessel arrivals, vendors will be located outside the terminal yard and will be accessible to the general public. We will have a number of local vendors set up selling their products.

Also making a call to the Port of Guam is the Japanese cruise liner, Asuka II who makes yearly visits to Guam. Brining 493 passengers and 466 crew members, the vessel will arrive 6:30pm Sunday March 3, and is scheduled to depart March 7 at 10:00 pm. Due to limited dock space, Askua II will be at anchorage with passengers being ferried to F3 dock while Queen Mary 2 is berthed at F4 and F5 docks.

“This is a first for two passenger ships to make a stop on Guam at the same time. We have been working diligently with all stakeholders to ensure that all requests are accommodated and that passengers enjoy their visit to Guam,” said Leon Guerrero.

Below are some facts and figures about the Queen Mary 2.

SOME COMPARISONS / MORE INTERSTING FACTS ABOUT THE QM2

Length:	1,132 feet
Beam:	135 feet
Beam at Bridge Wings:	147.5 feet
Draft:	32 feet 10 inches
Height (Keel to Funnel):	236.2 feet
Gross Tonnage:	Approximately 151,400 gross tonnes
Guest Capacity:	2,592 lower berths 3,056 maximum capacity (Including third and fourth berths)
Crew:	1,253
Cruise Speed:	28.5 Knots
Power:	157,000 horsepower, environmentally friendly, gas turbine/diesel electric plant
Propulsion:	Four pods of 21.5 MW each; 2 fixed and 2 azimuthing
Strength:	Extra thick steel hull for strength and stability for Transatlantic Crossings
Stabilizers:	Two sets
Cost:	Estimated \$800 million