

UPCOMING SPEAKERS ON QUEEN MARY 2®

TRANSATLANTIC CROSSINGS

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THE KENNEDY CENTER CHAMBER PLAYERS

QUEEN MARY 2 — Eastbound Transatlantic Crossing

New York – Southampton | **September 8, 2009 – September 14, 2009**

Guests onboard this Crossing will delight in performances by The Kennedy Center Chamber Players, a group of National Symphony Orchestra principals. “Washington has a new must-hear chamber ensemble” announced *The Washington Post* after their debut concert. Joining the engagement is Nigel Boon, Director of Artistic Planning.

September 4, 2008 | Boston Symphony Chamber Players | Cunard, the Official Cruise Line of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, is thrilled to have members of this illustrious group onboard for special performances that will be held throughout the voyage, with musical insights by the BSO’s distinguished Artistic Administrator, Anthony Fogg.

September 4, 2008 | A Tribute to Bob Hope | Featuring Linda Hope, daughter of the iconic entertainer. Linda will share an intimate look inside the life of her world-famous father. Her appearance is in advance of the first-ever Bob Hope Estate Charity Auction. Guests will be treated to a memorabilia auction of items made available exclusively for this Crossing by the Bob Hope Estate.

September 4, 2008 | Dr. George C McGavin | Dr. McGavin is a Fellow of the Linnaean Society and the Royal Geographical Society. He has written numerous books on insects and other animals and is currently working on three books. He also has three insect species named in his honour.

September 21, 2008 | Emma Smith | She is a Fellow of Hertford College in the University of Oxford, where she teaches and publishes on Shakespeare and his contemporary dramatists. She has worked with the Royal Shakespeare Company.

September 21, 2008 | Joanne Harris | She is the author of the mystical story titled *Chocolat*, which climbed to Number 1 in London’s *Sunday Times* best-seller list and became a Miramax motion picture, nominated for five Academy Awards and eight BAFTA awards.

September 21, 2008 | Bruce Chadwick | A natural-born storyteller and a former journalist, he has written two dozen books that are award-winning, including ten on baseball, four on the Civil War and three on the American Revolution. His next is *I Am Murdered*, a forensics thriller.

October 4, 2008 | Giancarlo Impiglia | Italian painter, sculptor, art historian, and lecturer, Impiglia’s work can be found onboard QUEEN MARY 2 among many other displays including museums and private collections.

October 10, 2008 | Derek Fraser | Widely respected as an authority on modern British history, Professor Derek Fraser is the author of several books, including *The Welfare State and The Evolution of the British Welfare State*. He will be speaking about key Prime Ministers in recent history.

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October 10, 16, 2008 | Barry Brown | Film historian and former BBC TV producer, he will present a series of lectures about some of cinema's most beloved luminaries including Bette Davis, Errol Flynn, Gene Kelly, Clint Eastwood, David Niven, Ingrid Bergman and Alfred Hitchcock.

October 16, 2008 | David Whitehouse | Author, astronomer and Royal Astronomical Society Fellow, he is the United Kingdom's most well known broadcast commentator on science, including frequent appearances on BBC News and Sky News. He will present compelling lectures about the sun, the moon, the universe and space.

October 16, 2008 | Eric Dolin | Author of eight books, he will lecture on the history of whaling in America.

October 16, 2008 | Lynn Truss | Bestselling author of *Eats, Shoots, Leaves: The Zero Tolerance Approach to Punctuation* and *Talk to the Hand The Utter Bloody Rudeness of the World Today* will share her witty take on these themes.

November 15, 2008 | Royal Astronomical Society (RAS) | Enjoy specially designed shows covering a wide array of topics ranging from the "Big Bang" theory to the nature of black holes. Star Parties will be held on deck in the evenings where RAS experts will discuss the history of the stars and constellations seen overhead. On this voyage, Dr. Alastair Gunn, professional astrophysicist, will be onboard to discuss the extended atmospheres of highly active binary stars.

November 15, 2008 | John Taylor | Master of Wine, he has been in the Wine Trade his entire life and has built up extensive experience in all aspects of the trade. He now conducts educational courses for consumers and hosts trips to wine producing regions around the world.

April 8, 2009 | Oxford University Press Science Club | A group of esteemed, published scientists will initiate a new programme covering issues such as global warming, String Theory and Nano Technology. Oxford University Press is the oldest publishing house in the world and is renowned for its Dictionaries, as well as numerous groundbreaking scientific titles.

April 14, 2009 | Royal Geographical Society | Meet Paul Rose, past vice president of the Royal Geographical Society and recipient of Her Majesty The Queen's Polar Medal, for his 10 years as Commander of the Rothera Research Station in Antarctica. He has also frequently appeared on BBC TV and US National Public Radio.

April 26, 2009 | Jose Iturbi International Music Competition | On this voyage, winners from the prestigious Jose Iturbi International Music Competition, the highest honour given to emerging vocalists and pianists worldwide, will be onboard. First Prize Vocalist, Angela Meade and First Prize Pianist, Mariya Kim will be performing.

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