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MARINER OF THE SEAS TO HOST WORLD'S FIRST DANCE CAMP AT SEA WITH WORLD RENOWNED COACHES



Catch Russia's professional champions Olesya Eremeeva and Mikhail Eremeeve in action onboard.

SINGAPORE, December 9, 2015 – To bring Royal Caribbean International's *Mariner of the Seas* to a new high note, regional dance veteran Aleena Tan will be returning to Southeast Asia's largest cruise ship to organise another world-first dance theme cruise. This time it will be a dance camp featuring world and regional renowned coaches such as *Burn The Floor's* Luka Fanni from Italy, Peter Townsend and Belman Salihovic from Australia, Sunny Low, Derrick Torre and Feliz Ferlino from Singapore and Uapan Sdnivongs from Thailandⁱ.

This special 4-night cruise from February 29 to March 4, 2016 from Singapore to Kuala Lumpur (Port Klang) and Langkawi is expected to attract dance enthusiasts from across the region, who will enjoy the exclusive tutelage under these world class class veterans, all brought together on this cruise. The workshops will offer ballroom and Latin dancing, Banchatango, New Vogue and Rock 'n' Roll classes, and include demonstrations from the coaches.

Also lined up for the programme are previews and dance shows on Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive, Waltz, Tango, Slow Foxtrot and Quickstep, along the ship's 136m-long Royal Promenade and in the 1,300-seater theatre. Performers will include Professional Champions from Russia, Mikhail Eremeeve and Olesya Eremeeva.

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Aleena Tan has previously organised four dance theme cruises with Royal Caribbean in Asia with the most recent one as "Dancesport All Champions", the world's first showdance competition at sea in January 2015. On her choice of Royal Caribbean again for her latest dance theme cruise, she said, "We always want to do something different and unique for every one of these dance cruises, which is very much like the innovative feel of Royal Caribbean ships. Plus, I've always been attracted to *Mariner of the Seas'* classy ambiance, beautiful venues and excellent service, which has been a most befitting choice for all my past events, like for the upcoming one."

The 15 guest-deck, 3,807-guest *Mariner of the Seas* is the largest and most exciting ship based in Southeast Asia and is currently in Singapore for her third consecutive season. She offers the brand's signature innovative activities and entertainment such as the ice-skating rink, Royal Promenade – a boulevard of shops and cafes – full-sized sports court, in-line skating track, rock-climbing wall and the DreamWorks Animation entertainment programme. In addition, there is a three-tier theatre, themed bars and lounges and nightclub.

There are numerous dining options onboard including the three-tier Main Dining Room, buffet restaurant and specialty restaurants like Chops Grille Steakhouse, the Italian restaurant Giovanni's Table and Johnny Rockets 50s' style American diner. As for accommodation, choices range from luxurious suites to the unique Promenade staterooms with views overlooking the Royal Promenade.

This cruise is now open for sale. For information or reservations, contact Aleena Tan at (65)9826 7015.

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About Royal Caribbean International

Royal Caribbean International is an award-winning global cruise brand with a 46-year legacy of innovation and introducing industry firsts never-before-seen at sea. The cruise line features an expansive and unmatched array of features and amenities only found on Royal Caribbean including, jaw-dropping, Broadway-style entertainment and industry-acclaimed programming that appeals to families and adventurous vacationers alike. Owned by Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. (NYSE/OSE: RCL), the cruise line sails 23 of the world's most innovative cruise ships to the most popular destinations in the Caribbean, Europe, Alaska, South America, Asia and Australia and New Zealand. World renowned for its friendly and engaging Gold Anchor Service, delivered by every staff and crew member, Royal Caribbean has been voted "Best Cruise Line Overall" for 12 consecutive years in the Travel Weekly Reader's Choice Awards and named the "Best Cruise Operator" for 8 consecutive years at the TTG Travel Awards as well as "Best Cruise Line" at the Travel Weekly Asia's Reader's Choice Awards 2015.

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Bios



Luka Fanni

Luka is one half of the famous dancing sibling pair 'Luka and Luana'. He and his sister started dancing together over thirty years ago when they were still children. They have performed in several television programmes and theatrical acts since the age of six and seven years. At the time Luka was attracted to the disco dance and modern jazz. Luana instead specialized in acrobatic gymnastics. This is the combination of two different styles that has always made special, and that led them to success. He is Ballroom Champion of Italy and an original member of "Burn The Floor" show group. With his sister, they formed one championship couple in the show's all-star line-up. Luka like his sister is devoted to teaching but also to the world of entertainment and television as choreographers and performers, and is often engaged in the jury of many major championships, including the European Championships and World Championships for Amateurs and Professionals.



Peter Townsend

Peter Townsend's whole life has revolved around dance. For many years he danced competitively, initially as a Juvenile and then progressing through the ranks to become a Professional at the age of 21. He studied not only ballroom and Latin but also classical, contemporary and jazz ballet and contact improvisation. His dancing was further informed by a commitment to and deep understanding of the Alexander Technique, Five Rhythms (Gabrielle Roth), choreology, yoga and the ancient skills of relaxation, concentration and meditation. However it as a teacher and coach that Peter has come into his own. He was a founding member of the hugely successful Team Amsterdam and has taught, trained and coached amateur and professional World Champions in Ballroom, Latin and Show dance.



Belman Salihovic

Belman has been specialising in Latin dance for the past eleven years and has been actively participating in the Latin dance competitions all over the world. He decided to stop competing 2005 and started performing in commercial productions. He was in a Jupiter's Casino Stage production, Tempo Rouge, as a male lead dancer. In 2006 he started teaching and lecturing in all parts of the world. Thereafter, he moved to Asia to train the upcoming talents in that region. Belman has coached many Junior, Youth, Amateur, Professional and social dancers and couples. He continues to coach around the world and available for private lessons, lectures and seminars. In addition, Belman has extensive experience in choreographing competitive dancing, show dance and social routine.



Sunny Low

- Director Sunny Low Dance Production Studio
- World & International Adjudicator, World Dance Council Examiner
- National Association Of Teachers Of Dancing UK

Profile:

1958 King of Rock 'n' Roll 1967-1968 Worked for Hong Kong Television Broadcast 1986- 2014 Establish Sunny Low Dance Studio

- Choreographer, Sunny Low Dancers
- Organiser of Singapore International Ballroom Dancing Championships 1987- 2013
- Founder, Singapore Ballroom Dance Teachers Association
- Delegate to World Dance Council 1980-2000
- Singapore International Ballroom Dancing Championships 2007-2013



Aleena Tan

Aleena Tan is a much sought after World and International Adjudicator licensed with the World Dance Council. She was appointed the Senior Examiner for World Dance Council at WDC Annual General Meeting 2015. She has been conducting the World Dance Council Medal and Professional Examinations in Mudanjiang, Shenyang, Jogjakarta, Jakarta, Mumbai, Penang, Seremban, Surabaya and Sri Lanka.

Aleena is currently the Director for Sunny Low Dance Production Studio and is popularly known for her organization skills and has produced many unique events such as *Dance That Heals*, *Dancesport All Champions* and *Shall We Dance* at Changi Airport, alongside the *World First Showdance Competition* and *World First Latin Competitions* on board luxury cruises.