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Special Guest Cruises

Paul Gauguin Cruises is pleased to welcome special guests representing a wide variety of interests aboard upcoming sailings of the m/s *Paul Gauguin*. Whether you're interested in wine, art, music, magic, Polynesian life and culture, or the wonders of the deep, we have arranged for an expert in the field to join us on designated cruises, to offer insights, lectures, performances, workshops, and more. We also frequently feature limited-time exhibits of paintings and photography by respected Polynesian artists, so you can see up close and firsthand how the singular qualities of light and beauty here inspire the creative imagination. Join us on one of these voyages to enhance your experience of the South Seas. Best of all, it's all already included in your fare!

MEET OUR SPECIAL GUESTS

MARC OTWAY & ABI UTTLEY, Musicians:

January 6, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)

January 17, 2018 • *Society Islands & Tuamotus* (10 nights)

November 17, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)

Expect an extremely fun evening of dancing and singing when Marc and Abi come aboard! Don't miss very special sailings of *The Gauguin*, as this talented duo performs an exciting musical explosion of upbeat classics through the decades.

ROBERT GALLACHER, Historian:

January 6, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)

A historian whose field of expertise is the effects of Western exploration and expansion on the cultures of the Americas, Africa, and Asia, Dr. Robert Gallacher is particularly interested in the impact America and European nations have had on creating worldwide empires. He takes a multi-disciplinary look at the importance of religion and culture, as well as the political events that have helped shape our Eurocentric world of today in his lecture series.

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BOB STENECK, Professor of Marine Biology, Oceanography & Marine Policy:**January 17, 2018 • *Society Islands & Tuamotus* (10 nights)**

A University of Maine professor, marine ecologist, research expedition leader, and author of more than 160 scientific papers, Bob Steneck, PhD, is an expert in lobsters, sea urchins, fish, corals, calcareous algae, historical ecology, global climate change, and the science of managing marine resources. Come aboard for an enlightening presentation by this distinguished ocean scholar.

NICK GOLDSCHMIDT, International Winemaker, Goldschmidt Vineyards:**January 27, 2018 • *Tahiti & the Society Islands* (7 nights)**

Winemaker Nick Goldschmidt perfected his craft over decades of experience in California, Chile, Australia, Argentina, Italy, Mexico, Spain, and his native New Zealand. To date, he has more than 200 wines scoring 90 points or above, and every bottle he produces reflects his desire to grow the best grapes and make only the finest wines. Join us aboard *The Gauguin* as this internationally renowned winemaker shares his expertise—and a tasting of his wines.

STEVE REYNOLDS, Winemaker, Reynolds Family Winery:**February 10, 2018 • *Tahiti & the Society Islands* (7 nights)**

Twenty years ago, Steve Reynolds decided to quit his day job and transform a dilapidated chicken ranch into a Tuscan-inspired winery. Today, Reynolds Family Winery is a successful Napa Valley estate, producing roughly 7,000 cases of wine a year. Enjoy a wine lecture and a tasting of Reynolds Family Winery wines when Steve joins us aboard *The Gauguin*.

JONNY ROSS, Singer & Guitarist:**February 24, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)****March 7, 2018 • *Society Islands & Tuamotus* (10 nights)****May 26, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)****June 6, 2018 • *Society Islands & Tuamotus* (10 nights)**

One of the UK's most in-demand singers, Jonny Ross performs a varied repertoire designed to delight audiences of all ages. Join us aboard for live performances by this talented singer.

DENNY WHITFORD, Oceanographer & Meteorologist:**February 24, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)**

During a 30-year naval career, Dr. Denny Whitford learned how to drive large ships, flew jet aircraft aboard aircraft carriers, forecast weather and ocean conditions around the world, held multiple commands, and directed several scientific organizations. He is also a distinguished professor. Join us aboard *The Gauguin* as "Dr. Denny" offers engaging presentations that will change forever the way you experience the ocean.

JAZZDAGEN, Jazz Music:**March 24, 2018 • *Tahiti & the Society Islands* (7 nights)**

Jazzdagen Tours has organized jazz cruises and tours around the world since 1984. This special sailing of *The Gauguin* showcases The Pieter Meijers Quartet featuring Juliarna Clark. Their music is melodic, full of swing, easy to listen to, and great for dancing with a repertoire that includes Benny Goodman, Louis Armstrong, Sidney Bechet, Nat King Cole, and the American Songbook.

ROBIN & DANUTA PFEIFFER, Owners/Winemakers, Pfeiffer Winery & Vineyards:**April 7, 2018 • *Tahiti & the Society Islands* (7 nights)**

Robin and Danuta Pfeiffer are the owners and winemakers of Pfeiffer Winery and Vineyards, an ultra-premium, sustainable, 70-acre vineyard with an international reputation for producing world-class Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris. Enjoy a wine lecture and a tasting of Pfeiffer Winery wines when Robin and Danuta join us aboard.

ANGIE LANG, Singer:**April 14, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

British-born singer Angie Lang travels throughout the U.K. and Europe performing music from all genres, from musical-theater showstoppers to an eclectic mix of songs from the '50s to the present day. Join us aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin* for live evening performances by this talented performer.

SCOTT HOMLER, Historian:**April 14, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

The Director of Translation and Interpreting at the University of Minnesota, Dr. Scott Homler interprets, translates, and lectures on a variety of subjects and often incorporates art as a primary resource for discussions on cultural identity. Join us aboard for a series of lectures offering insights into the life and work of artist Paul Gauguin.

ALLIE MOONEY, Inspirational Speaker:**April 14, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

Allie Mooney knows what makes people tick. And long experience as a successful "people interpreter" proves it. Find out for yourself how this internationally respected speaker and author can transform your life when you join her aboard this special sailing.

COLOUR BLUE, Acoustic Duo:**April 14, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)***October 20, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

Performing as Colour Blue, Thomas Rowland and Nathan Mills combine harmony, vocals, acoustic guitar, and an African Djembe drum to put their own unique twist on popular music. Enjoy their performance of a huge mix of music ranging from the 1960s to the present day.

JEAN-PIERRE VIGATO, Parisian Celebrity Chef:**May 12, 2018** • *Tahiti & the Society Islands (7 nights)*

Paul Gauguin Cruises is pleased to welcome Chef Jean-Pierre Vigato back aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin* for an exceptional culinary program in 2018. All sailings of *The Gauguin* feature delicious signature dishes the chef designed especially for us, served in La Veranda restaurant. And join us aboard this special sailing, as the chef personally prepares gourmet dishes for guests and offers cooking demonstrations of his renowned culinary techniques.

NICOLAS DEL POZO, Illusionist:*Tahiti & the Society Islands*
(7 nights)**June 16, 2018****June 23, 2018****November 10, 2018***Society Islands & Tahiti Iti*
(7 nights)**June 30, 2018****November 3, 2018***Society Islands & Tuamotus*
(10 nights)**June 6, 2018****July 18, 2018****November 28, 2018***Cook Islands & Society Islands*
(11 nights)**May 26, 2018****July 7, 2018****November 17, 2018***Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands*
(14 nights)**October 20, 2018**

A rising star among French magicians, Nicolas del Pozo perfected his skills in Las Vegas, where he met the greatest illusionists in the world. He since has dazzled audiences around the globe. See this mesmerizing show from this master of illusion aboard *The Gauguin*.

GIULIANO HAZAN, Italian Cooking Teacher & Cookbook Author:**May 26, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)**

One of the foremost authorities on Italian cooking—and also the only child of Marcella Hazan, the doyenne of Italian cooking—Giuliano Hazan is an award-winning cookbook author and acclaimed teacher of Italian culinary arts. Join us aboard as he shares recipes and techniques during onboard cooking demonstrations.

MARILISA ALLEGRINI, Marketing Director, Allegrini Wines:**May 26, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)**

Marilisa Allegrini has been responsible for marketing for the family enterprise since 1980, promoting Allegrini wines and the Valpolicella area throughout the world. Join us aboard *The Gauguin* as Marilisa shares her passion for wine during a lecture and tasting.

DOUGLAS PEEBLES, Photographer:**May 26, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)**

Douglas Peebles has been photographing the South Pacific and Hawaii for about 40 years, and his work has been published in nearly 70 books and several other publications, including *National Geographic Traveler*, *Islands*, *Travel Holiday*, *GEO*, *Hawaii*, and the UK's *Traveller* magazine. Enjoy photography presentations, small-group excursions, and a critique of your photographs by Douglas.

DAVID KEELING, Distinguished Professor of Geography:**June 6, 2018 • *Society Islands & Tuamotus* (10 nights)**

The University Distinguished Professor of Geography at Western Kentucky University, Dr. David Keeling has visited more than 185 countries and studied a wide range of topics, from the geography of exploration and discovery to socio-economic change. Join us aboard *The Gauguin* as he shares his expertise in a series of fascinating lectures.

JESSICA VAITIARE CHIN FOO, Co-founder, Gauguine Wines:**June 23, 2018 • *Tahiti & the Society Islands* (7 nights)**

Polynesian native Jessica Vaitiare Chin Foo has developed a high-quality wine brand that speaks to the elegance of diverse women, while also paying tribute to Paul Gauguin's journey in French Polynesia and his passion for women and art. Join us aboard as Jessica recounts her journey through the wine industry in Davis, California, and offers a tasting of Gauguine Wines and her sister winery, Putah Creek Wines.

JONATHAN & ANGELA SCOTT, Conservationists, Naturalists & Photographers:**July 7, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)**

The authors and photographers of 30 books, Jonathan and Angela Scott are passionate about nature and conservation. They have also contributed to several wildlife series on TV. Don't miss a very special sailing of *The Gauguin*, as the couple offer a series of lectures on conservation, nature, and wildlife.

TOM O'NEIL, Motivational Author & Speaker:**July 7, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)**

Tom O'Neil has helped a wide range of people, from students to CEOs, achieve their goals through his best-selling books, motivational speeches, and one-on-one coaching. Let this internationally recognized expert in personal development and career management inspire you with his live presentations on board the m/s *Paul Gauguin*.

PASCALE GUERTIN, Singer:**July 7, 2018 • *Cook Islands & Society Islands* (11 nights)**

A native of Montréal, Canada, Pascale Guertin is a well-rounded musician who was born to sing. This talented artist performs *Remembering Edith Piaf* and *From Argentina with Love*.

JOAN DRUETT, Maritime Historian & Writer:**July 18, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tuamotus (10 nights)*

Joan Druett's accidental discovery of the grave of a young American whaling wife sparked her interest in the history of life at sea and inspired her to write several acclaimed books on the subject. Join us as this expert in maritime history shares fascinating stories of life on the high seas.

SIMONE OSBORNE, Concert & Opera Singer:**July 18, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tuamotus (10 nights)*

One of the youngest winners of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions and the Marilyn Horne Foundation Competition, Canadian soprano Simone Osborne has been hailed as "a joy to hear" by the *Los Angeles Times*, and the *New York Times* has acclaimed her "sweet and clear sound, sensitive phrasing and gleaming sustained high notes."

GORDON BITNER, Concert & Opera Singer:**July 18, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tuamotus (10 nights)*

Canadian Bass-Baritone Gordon Bitner appears internationally, performing a wide range of concert and operatic repertoire, and is considered one of the most exciting bass-baritones of his generation. Recent debuts at the Salzburg Festspiele, Canadian Opera Company, Montreal Symphony, Oper Frankfurt, Milwaukee Symphony, and Michigan Opera Theater have been met with great critical acclaim.

ARNAUD DE SULLÉ, Art Historian:**August 11, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

The descendent of a very old and noble family, Arnaud de Sullé has a passion for history and culture that has taken him from the Vatican Library to the film set of Federico Fellini. Join us, and discover why he is in great demand as an expert speaker on artist Paul Gauguin and his connection to music as well as art.

DOMINICK DECARLO, Hypnotist:**August 11, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

Dominick DeCarlo, the "David Copperfield of Hypnosis," is one of the world's most talented multimedia stage hypnotists, with impressive academic and entertainment credentials. Join us aboard *The Gauguin* for a thrilling performance by this master of the art.

GUSTAVO VIERINI, Mentalist:**August 11, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)***August 25, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tahiti Iti (7 nights)***September 1, 2018** • *Tahiti & the Society Islands (7 nights)***September 8, 2018** • *Cook Islands & Society Islands (11 nights)***September 19, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tuamotus (10 nights)*

A professional magician since 1998, Brazilian native Gustavo Vierini is skilled in illusion in all its forms. Be sure to be aboard as he brings his unique blend of magic and humor aboard select sailings of *The Gauguin*.

THE ROLLING KEYS DUO, Musicians:**September 8, 2018** • *Cook Islands & Society Islands (11 nights)*

The Rolling Keys Duo (Sarah Watson and Will Stead) are two session musicians who have crafted a sound that has proven successful all over the world. Join us aboard select sailings of *The Gauguin* for a toe-tapping performance of popular classics from the 1950s to current chart hits.

DAN BENEDICT, Journalist:**September 8, 2018** • *Cook Islands & Society Islands (11 nights)***September 19, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tuamotus (10 nights)*

A journalist and educator specializing in astronomy, Dan Benedict has been introducing cruise passengers with an interest in stargazing to the wonders of the night sky since 1998. Join us for a series of presentations and nighttime star watches led by this fascinating expert.

CAROLINE BOYLE-TURNER, Art History Professor:**October 20, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

A popular guest lecturer aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin* for many years, Caroline Boyle-Turner returns for this exceptional sailing. An acclaimed expert on Paul Gauguin and his circle of artists, she will enrich your appreciation of our ship's namesake through a series of lectures when you join us aboard.

HEIDY BAUMGARTNER LESAGE, Archaeological Restorer & Conservator:**October 20, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

Swiss-born Heidy Baumgartner Lesage has participated in archaeological excavations throughout French Polynesia since moving to Tahiti in 1986. Join us aboard as this Polynesian enthusiast and expert shares fascinating insights in a series of three lectures.

JAMIE LAWRENCE, Hawaiian Singer:**October 20, 2018** • *Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands (14 nights)*

A mainstay of Hawaii's music scene for more than 30 years, Jamie Lawrence has appeared on Grammy Award-nominated works, recorded CDs of his own, and delighted audiences around the globe.

MAURICE BLIGH, Inventor, Historian, Descendant of "Captain" Bligh:**November 17, 2018** • *Cook Islands & Society Islands (11 nights)*

Maurice Bligh is a man with mission: to set the record straight about his famous forebear, who is widely known as "Captain Bligh" of the legendary HMS *Bounty*. Join Maurice aboard *The Gauguin* as he reveals historic truths about Admiral William Bligh — and explains how Hollywood got it all wrong: there never was a ship called HMS *Bounty*!

GRANT MCCALL, Social Anthropologist:**November 28, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tuamotus (10 nights)*

Grant McCall is a social anthropologist who specializes in the peoples and cultures of the Pacific Islands, most especially those in Eastern Polynesia. Join us aboard *The Gauguin* for a fascinating presentation by this world-class expert to the region.

TOM & MICHELLE BECKER, Vocalists/Musicians:**November 28, 2018** • *Society Islands & Tuamotus (10 nights)***December 8, 2018** • *Tahiti & the Society Islands (7 nights)*

Performing together since 1996, Tom and Michelle Becker have toured worldwide with a 500+ songlist covering six decades of popular music. Their down-to-earth charm, energetic personalities, and audience interaction bring style and fun to every performance. We know you'll be singing along when they join us on two very special sailings of *The Gauguin*.

Special Guests are subject to change.