



TORONTO 2015 PAN AM GAMES TORCH RELAY TO VISIT HORNBLOWER NIAGARA CRUISES

Niagara Falls, ON (June 18, 2015) – On Saturday, June 20 Hornblower Niagara Cruises will take part in the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay. As part of its 41 day journey across 130 Canadian communities the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay will visit Niagara Falls.

While in Niagara Falls the torch relay includes a ride aboard one of Hornblower's famous 700-passenger catamaran boats into the very heart of the mighty Horseshoe Falls. On approach to the Horseshoe Falls the torch bearer will light a community cauldron mounted on the upper deck of a Hornblower catamaran to ensure the flame remains lighted as it journeys into the mist of Niagara Falls.

"This is an historical event for Hornblower Niagara Cruises and for the city of Niagara Falls" said Mory DiMaurizio, General Manager at Hornblower Niagara Cruises. "Niagara Falls is an iconic Canadian landmark recognized by millions around the world. And there is no more significantly "Canadian" sense of place than the mighty Horseshoe Falls." We are honored to be part of this exciting international event and help to showcase this beautiful destination to the world."

Thousands of international visitors and local spectators will have an opportunity to witness history as the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Torch Relay sails the waters at the base of the Horseshoe Falls. The torchbearer will depart Hornblower's Lower landing docks at 6:07pm for its brief but historic journey with Hornblower Niagara Cruises into the world's most famous waterfall.

From here the torch relay continues with a torch bearer located at Niagara Parks' Journey Behind The Falls and Table Rock Welcome Centre and onto an end of day celebration event at Queen Victoria Park. Earlier in the day the torch will visit the Welland Market Square in Welland, Ontario for a community celebration before travelling to the Welland Pan Am Flatwater Centre, the canoe/kayak sprint venue for the games. The torch will continue on to the St. Catharines Market Square in St. Catharines, Ontario before the day celebrations occur at the Royal Canadian Henley Rowing Course at Lakeside Park. With the games having been hosted in multiple cities across the world, Canada is certainly not new to hosting the international multi-sport event as the games were hosted twice before in 1967 and 1999 both times in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

On July 10, 2015 the torch will arrive in Toronto, Ontario where it will ignite the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games opening ceremonies cauldron which signifies the start of the event. The games will last two weeks and will conclude on July 26, 2015. Less than two week after the games, the TORONTO 2015 Parapan Games will take place from August 7-15, 2015.

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About Hornblower Niagara Cruises

Hornblower Canada Co., operating as Hornblower Niagara Cruises, is the official boat operator of boat tours to Niagara Falls in partnership with The Niagara Parks Commission. Providing daytime boat tours and evening falls

illumination and falls fireworks cruises to one of the world's natural wonders. Hornblower Niagara Cruises delivers an unforgettable experience to its guests in Niagara Falls, Canada. Hornblower Niagara Cruises is part of the Hornblower Family of Companies – a leader in marine hospitality with locations throughout North America. For more information please visit www.niagaracruises.com.

About TO2015

The TORONTO 2015 Pan American Games will take place July 10–26 and the Parapan American Games August 7–15. The TORONTO 2015 Games are funded by the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario, as well as Lead Partner CIBC and other partners and sponsors. The TORONTO 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games Organizing Committee (TO2015) is tasked with managing and delivering the Games. It is working to bring some of the world's best athletes and artists to Toronto and the Greater Golden Horseshoe region, giving Ontarians a unique chance to be part of the action, and making the region a hub for sport.