

Annual Awards Recognize Environmental Innovation in Royal Caribbean International, Celebrity Cruises' Ships
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Royal Caribbean International and Celebrity Cruises announced today the winners of their coveted environmental awards. For Royal Caribbean, *Mariner of the Seas* has been selected as the Environmental Ship of the Year, and *Brilliance of the Seas* as the Environmentally Innovative Ship of the Year. Celebrity Summit was selected as both the Environmental Ship of the Year and the Environmentally Innovative Ship of the Year for Celebrity.

In its eighth year, these annual fleet-wide competitions underscore Royal Caribbean and Celebrity's long-standing commitment to environmental innovation and improvement. Competing for these awards encourage and reward crew members who progressively advance their ships' environmental performance in ways that go above and beyond regulatory compliance.

Environmental Resources Management, an independent environmental audit and consulting firm, conducted the review for the competition, which covered 2006 operations for 21 Royal Caribbean and nine Celebrity ships.

Judging for the awards was based on five rigorous environmental criteria established by Royal Caribbean, Celebrity and the auditing firm. These included environmental performance, timeliness and effectiveness of corrective actions related to audit findings, reports of near incidents and non-conformities, submission of environmental status reports, performance of environmental equipment and innovative thinking.

Mariner of the Seas earned the Royal Caribbean International Environmental Ship of the Year Award for its second consecutive year, because of excellence across all categories judged. The crew members demonstrated an emphasis on continuous innovation and improvement, a culture based on a "can do" and team building attitude, and a highly regarded marine preservation partnership with The Nature Conservancy.

Brilliance of the Seas received top honors in the Environmentally Innovative Ship of the Year competition because of several creative innovations. The most significant improvement was a handmade fuel filter cleaning system directly attributed for reducing the volume of hazardous waste and producing cost savings. *Brilliance of the Seas* also created onboard initiatives that positively impacted fuel efficiency, safety and water conservation.

Adam Goldstein, president and CEO of Royal Caribbean International, commended the Royal Caribbean fleet for its commitment to protecting the environment. "Our ships share a common trait of striving to be the very best, especially in terms of environmental performance," he said. "I congratulate our winners and I thank all our crew members for doing so much to protect the oceans in which we sail," Goldstein said.

Celebrity Summit won both awards for Celebrity Cruises because of its crew members' accomplishments across the board in environmental activities, sustainable energy savings, implementation of training programs, reduction in solid waste, tracking of energy consumption, and excellent records maintenance. Its crew members achieved greater energy conservation through light replacement programs, installing cold room curtains and window film coating, and tracking electrical consumption. The ship's emphasis on recycling resulted in a reduction in dry garbage and generated nearly \$14,000 in revenue for the Crew Welfare Fund.

"Caring for the environment requires our full attention," said Dan Hanrahan, president and CEO of Celebrity Cruises. "I am extremely proud of our fleet's consistent dedication to environmental excellence, a standard that is demanded and expected by our company, our guests and the public."

Winning ships get to exhibit an award pennant year-round and select their preferred non-profit organization to receive a cash donation on their behalf. Ships of the Year get to choose a \$10,000 donation recipient each, and Environmental Ships of the Year, select a \$5,000 donation recipient each.

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