



AMERICAN QUEEN VOYAGES™

American Queen Voyages™ Announces Latest Additions to Sales Team and Territory Realignment

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Fort Lauderdale, FL – Jan. 19, 2023 – [American Queen Voyages™](#), part of Hornblower® Group, has announced new additions to the sales team along with territory realignment that will efficiently deliver the award-winning cruise lines' experiences to guests and travel advisors. Industry veteran Janelle Valentino has been promoted to director of national accounts. Additionally, Brandon Appel has joined American Queen Voyages as Regional Account Manager (RAM), where he will work alongside the other RAMs to deliver extraordinary experiences to guests and travel advisors.

"The realignment of our sales team will enhance our ability to bring guests more one-of-a-kind experiences and provide further support to travel advisors," says Kevin Smith, vice president of sales, American Queen Voyages. "With Janelle Valentino's promotion and the addition of Brandon Appel, our sales team will be more dynamic, propelling American Queen Voyages further in 2023."

Janelle Valentino was previously a regional account manager with American Queen Voyages and will now lead the sales team as director of national accounts. In addition, she will represent the Florida region. Valentino has more than 15 years of experience and previously worked as Business Development Manager at Regent Seven Seas Cruises. Prior to that, she worked at Royal Caribbean Group as Supervisor, Revenue Administration. Key support comes from National Account Managers Laura Tubman and Kelvin Naranjo.

As part of the territory restructuring, the new assignments include:

- Brandon Appel will represent the Northwest region. States in this region include Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming.
- Darrell Wyatt will represent the Midwest region. States in this region include Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.
- Scott Moore will represent the Northeast region. States in this region include Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.
- Greg Abbott will represent the Southwest region. States in this region include Arizona, New Mexico, California, Colorado, Nevada, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah.

For more information on American Queen Voyages, contact your travel professional or call 833-598-0119 or visit www.AQVoyages.com.

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About American Queen Voyages

American Queen Voyages™, recently ranked the top U.S. river cruise line and #5 globally by TRAVEL+LEISURE magazine, offers the most varied and comprehensive portfolio of North American itineraries and experiences,

comprised of Rivers, Lakes & Oceans and Expedition, which includes new Alaska and Central America expedition experiences. Pre-paid gratuities, port taxes and fees for the first time along with brand favorite inclusions such as a 1-night pre-cruise hotel stay, unlimited guided tours, unlimited beverages and more are included. To book or for more information on American Queen Voyages, contact your travel advisor or call 833-598-0119 or visit www.AQVoyages.com.

About Hornblower Group

Hornblower Group is a global leader in experiences and transportation. Hornblower Group's corporate businesses are comprised of three premier experience divisions: American Queen Voyages®, its overnight cruising division; City Experiences, its land and water-based experiences as well as ferry and transportation services; and Journey Beyond, Australia's leading experiential travel group. Spanning a 100-year history, Hornblower Group's portfolio of international offerings includes water-based experiences (dining and sightseeing cruises), land-based experiences (walking tours, food tours and excursions), overnight experiences (cruises and railways) and ferry and transportation services. Hornblower Shipyard, LLC, a subsidiary of Hornblower Group, provides vessel outhaul and maintenance services at our shipyard in Bridgeport, Connecticut. Additionally, Anchor Operating System, LLC, a subsidiary of Hornblower Group, provides reservation, ticketing, and website integration services for clients in the transportation, tourism and entertainment industries. Today, Hornblower Group's global portfolio covers 112 countries and territories, 125 U.S. cities and serves more than 22 million guests annually. Headquartered in San Francisco, California, Hornblower Group's additional corporate offices reside in Adelaide, Australia; Boston, Massachusetts; Chicago, Illinois; Fort Lauderdale, Florida; London, United Kingdom; New Albany, Indiana; New York, New York; Dublin, Ireland; and across Ontario, Canada. For more information visit www.hornblowercorp.com.

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