

CARNIVAL INTRODUCES ONBOARD VIDEOS:

THE STORIES BEHIND THOSE UNIQUE INTERIORS

If you've sailed on any Carnival ship, you know the public room interiors are colorful, flashy, flamboyant and whimsical—and sometimes a bit gaudy. What most people don't know is that each ship has its own unique theme carried out to the most exacting detail.

Guests often wonder where the idea came from for such rooms as the Amber Palace show lounge aboard the *Carnival Glory* (it was inspired by Russia's famous Amber Room), or the Starry Night Jazz Club on the *Carnival Pride* (the design pays homage to the renowned Vincent Van Gogh painting of the same name).

Soon, guests aboard the "Fun Ships" can learn the story and backgrounds of these and dozens of other dramatic public rooms on each vessel through a series of new in-stateroom videos narrated by Carnival's renowned interior architect Joe Farcus.

Already shown on the in-stateroom televisions of the line's eight Spirit- and Conquest-class ships, the videos will eventually be featured on all 21 ships in the Carnival fleet.

Throughout the videos, Farcus offers guests compelling insight into what inspired his dramatic and sometimes whimsical creations, as well as interesting and humorous anecdotes behind each of his one-of-a-kind designs that have become a hallmark of the Carnival fleet.

Beginning with the "central idea" for each ship's interior, Farcus provides a personalized tour of many of the vessels' public lounges, bars, restaurants, and other areas.

For example, on Galveston's *Carnival Conquest*, Farcus describes the inspiration for the flower bud stools in Henri's Dance Club – which are modeled after the Post-Impressionist style of French painter Henri Rousseau. Those sailing on *Carnival Liberty*

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can discover the story behind the oversized faux white-diamond necklaces at Harry's, the ship's reservations-only supper club, which were inspired by the work of world-renowned jewelry designer Harry Winston.

"I design each ship to tell a story, and it gives me great joy to be able to share these stories with guests. These videos help bring these rooms to life, making for an even more memorable cruise for Carnival guests," Farcus said.

"This ongoing in-stateroom video project is a great way to provide guests with an inside look into Joe Farcus' intriguing and inventive mind, and gives a one-on-one look at the thought process behind his amazing and unique interiors that have become a signature of the Carnival fleet," said Bob Dickinson, Carnival president and CEO.

The line currently has three new ships on order – the 110,000-ton *Carnival Freedom*, scheduled for delivery in February 2007, the 112,000-ton *Carnival Splendor*, slated to enter service in fall 2008, and an as-yet-unnamed 130,000-ton SuperLiner – to be the largest "Fun Ship" ever constructed – set to debut in fall 2009.

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