

Explora Journeys and Clarendon Fine Art unveil an exclusive onboard art experience

Geneva, Switzerland – 16 October 2025 – Explora Journeys, the luxury lifestyle ocean travel brand of the MSC Group, has announced a new partnership with Clarendon Fine Art, one of the world's leading contemporary art galleries, to curate an exclusive onboard art experience across its fleet. This collaboration brings a new dimension to Explora Journeys' 'Ocean State of Mind' ethos – a philosophy of mindful exploration and cultural enrichment – by introducing guests to museum-quality art and purchasing opportunities at sea. The partnership was officially introduced at a private event hosted at Clarendon's flagship gallery in London's Mayfair on 16 October.

Clarendon Fine Art has become the first and only concession partner aboard Explora Journeys' fleet, and is present in the refined Galleria d'Arte on Deck 5 of both EXPLORA I and EXPLORA II. Guests are invited into a thoughtfully curated world of artistic expression, where extraordinary works by modern masters and innovative contemporary talents are discovered in an atmosphere of elegance and serenity.

"This partnership allows us to expand the cultural dimension of our Journeys in a way that feels both authentic and deeply enriching," said Anna Nash, President of Explora Journeys. "Art has always been at the heart of the Explora Journeys' experience – not simply as décor, but as an expression of taste, heritage and discovery. Together with Clarendon Fine Art, we can offer our guests something truly exceptional: the opportunity to engage with and acquire gallery-grade works of art in a sophisticated, private setting – not only in the world's most captivating destinations, but also at sea."

Rebecca Ball, Chief Commercial Officer of Clarendon Fine Art, said: "We are delighted to partner with Explora Journeys, where the discovery of art becomes an unforgettable adventure. This collaboration invites each guest to encounter works that resonate personally, transforming art appreciation into a deeply intimate experience. At Clarendon Fine Art, we have curated an onboard setting that is immersive and refined. This partnership marks a milestone in our continued global expansion, building on our growing network of galleries at sea and on land—to bring world-class art closer to guests and collectors around the globe."

Guests will encounter rare works from some of the greatest artists of the 20th century, from Picasso to Warhol and Hockney. These icons are presented alongside cutting-edge contemporary voices such as Mr. Brainwash, whose bold, subversive work fuses pop culture, nostalgia and street art, and Sky Portrait Artist of the Year Christian Hook, celebrated for his richly emotive style and timeless technique.

Every piece of artwork in the Galleria d'Arte – from large-scale paintings to fine art photography – is available for purchase, and overnight art rotations will ensure a continuously evolving collection that encourages guests to return, explore and discover new pieces throughout their Journey. Once a piece is selected, Clarendon Fine Art offers a seamless, fully managed global delivery service, ensuring

each acquisition is handled with the highest level of care and professionalism, and delivered safely anywhere in the world.

To further enrich the onboard experience, Clarendon Fine Art offers a dynamic Art Luminary and Enrichment Programme. Through expert-led seminars, guests can explore topics such as emerging art trends, collecting with confidence and the emotional and cultural impact of visual art. Tailored to offer insights for both seasoned collectors and curious newcomers, these 30- to 45-minute sessions will bring the world of art to life, enhancing the overall cultural experience on board Explora Journeys' ships and deepening each guest's connection to the art they encounter throughout their Journey.

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About Explora Journeys

Explora Journeys is the privately owned luxury ocean travel brand of the MSC Group, headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. Rooted in the Aponte family's 300 years of maritime heritage, the brand aims to redefine ocean travel for a new generation of discerning luxury travellers. **Explora Journeys** creates a unique 'Ocean State of Mind' by connecting guests with the sea, themselves, and like-minded others, while offering immersive itineraries blending iconic destinations with lesser-travelled ports that inspire discovery.

The brand introduces a new style of transformative ocean travel, featuring 461 oceanfront suites, penthouses, and residences - each a 'Home at Sea' with floor-to-ceiling windows, private terraces, and spacious, elegant interiors.

Guests enjoy eleven distinct culinary experiences across six restaurants, plus in-suite dining and Chef's Kitchen. The onboard experience includes twelve bars and lounges, five heated indoor and outdoor swimming pools, extensive outdoor decks with 64 private cabanas, a holistic wellness programme, and refined entertainment. Inspired by European heritage and elevated Swiss hospitality, **Explora Journeys** delivers intuitive service and relaxed luxury.

The fleet's first ship, EXPLORA I, launched in July 2023, followed by EXPLORA II in September 2024. EXPLORA III and EXPLORA IV, both LNG-powered, will join in 2026 and 2027, with EXPLORA V and EXPLORA VI scheduled for 2027 and 2028. These vessels incorporate advanced environmental technologies, reflecting the brand's strong commitment to sustainability.

To learn more about Explora Journeys, visit <u>explorajourneys.com</u> or follow us on <u>Instagram</u>, <u>X</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

About Clarendon Fine Art

Over the last 20 years, Clarendon Fine Art has built a strong reputation for making art accessible to all. The Clarendon team believes in the joy of collecting and loves nothing more than sharing that passion with others. With over 90 stunning galleries across the UK, on ocean liners and as far afield as Connecticut, USA, Clarendon offers an exclusive experience in art acquisition, whether to a seasoned collector or to someone beginning their journey into the art world. Explore, experience and fall in love with art. clarendonfineart.com