

## Carnival Cruise Line Receives Inaugural Program Innovator Award And 2016 Green Gateway Partners Award From Port of Seattle

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## Awards Recognize Cruise Line's Outstanding Environmental Stewardship

MIAMI, April 15, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Carnival Cruise Line is the first recipient of Port of Seattle's inaugural Program Innovator Award and also received the port's Green Gateway Partners Award, honoring the cruise line's commitment to environmental stewardship.

Rabih Aboudargham, director, environmental operations for Carnival Cruise Line, accepted the honors yesterday at Port of Seattle's Cruise Annual All Agency Pre-Season Reception held at the World Trade Center on the Seattle waterfront.

As the inaugural recipient of the port's Program Innovator Award, Carnival was recognized for its creativity in environmental practices, including innovations in fuel efficiency and waste reduction, as well as its partnership with the Nature Conservancy and the development of groundbreaking exhaust gas cleaning technology. The cruise line's training program for shipboard employees was acknowledged, as well.

The annual Green Gateway Awards are bestowed on those cruise and container customers whose environmental programs and initiatives exceed regulatory requirements and support the port's goal of becoming the cleanest and most energy-efficient port in North America.

"Receiving this recognition from Port of Seattle — one of the leaders in seaport environmental innovation — is truly an honor," said Aboudargham. "It also is an inspiration to continue seeking new ways to reduce our carbon footprint and preserve and protect our precious natural resources," he added.

"Carnival Cruise Line proves by their everyday practices that you can be good environmental stewards while contributing to this region's economy," said Port of Seattle Commissioner Courtney Gregoire. "As we start another fantastic cruise season, we thank Carnival Cruise Line for making our planet a greener place," she added.

As the world's largest cruise operator, Carnival Cruise Line understands the company's future depends on the health of the world's oceans, and therefore seeks both high- and low-tech solutions to manage the environmental impact of its fleet.

Carnival's environmental stewardship approach includes use of shore power in select ports, a donation program for used but serviceable items from its ships, engagement of guests in its shipboard recycling activities, training and education programs for shipboard and shoreside personnel, ongoing fleetwide efforts to increase fuel efficiency and reduce emissions, and an extensive management plan for all waste generated aboard Carnival vessels

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Carnival, a unit of Carnival Corporation & plc (NYSE/LSE: CCL; NYSE: CUK), is "The World's Most Popular Cruise Line®" with 24 ships operating three- to 16-day voyages to The Bahamas, Caribbean, Mexican Riviera, Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, New England, Bermuda, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. The company currently has two new 133,500-ton ships on order--Carnival Vista, set to debut in May 2016, and an as-yet-unnamed vessel scheduled to enter service in 2018.

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