

## Carly Rae Jepsen To Perform Concert Aboard Carnival Splendor In February 2018 As Part Of Carnival Live Concert Series

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MIAMI, Dec. 27, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Grammy Award-nominated, multi-platinum, singer/songwriter Carly Rae Jepsen, who has sold more than 20 million singles worldwide, will perform a free concert aboard

<u>Carnival Splendor</u> in February 2018, as part of the Carnival LIVE Concert Series. The concert marks the first time the cruise line is collaborating with Universal Music Group and Brands (UMGB), the brand strategy and partnership division of Universal Music Group.

While the concert is a departure from previous <u>Carnival LIVE</u> performances in that it is free and open to all guests sailing on Carnival Splendor's Feb. 17, 2018, seven-day voyage, it continues the line's mission of bringing the best in live entertainment to the seas and providing guests an opportunity to enjoy captivating performances by top artists in a memorable setting.

The concert will take place on Carnival Splendor's Lido Deck Feb. 18 while the ship is at sea during a week-long Mexican Riviera cruise that operates round-trip from Long Beach, Calif. The voyage features a day-long call at Puerto Vallarta and two days at Cabo San Lucas.

Jepsen broke onto the music scene in 2012 with her major label debut <u>Kiss</u> that included the smash hit "Call Me Maybe" which climbed to #1 on the iTunes Singles charts in more than 47 countries and earned her Grammy Award nominations for Best Pop Solo Performance and Song of the Year. After earning rave reviews starring in the Broadway production of Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella, Jepsen released her next album, E-MO-TION, which received critical acclaim and featured the Billboard Top 40 hit "I Really Like You."

Jepsen also starred as the iconic Pink Lady, "Frenchy," in FOX's four-time EMMY award winning musical GREASE: LIVE and most recently voiced the character of Odette in the animated movie "LEAP!" featured Jepsen's song "Cut To The Feeling" which has been hailed by critics as a top song of 2017 showing up on year end lists for Rolling Stone, Pitchfork, Billboard, Noisey and more.

Jepsen joins an impressive lineup of Carnival LIVE artists who run the gamut of musical genres, from rock, country, R&B, and pop, as well as some of the biggest names in comedy. Previous Carnival LIVE artists include music superstars Tim McGraw and Carrie Underwood and comedians Jim Gaffigan and Chris Tucker.

"While I've performed all over the world and on Broadway, I've never performed on a cruise ship before and I'm really looking forward toa night with my fans in what promises to be a unique venue for an incredible night," Jepsen said.

"We're delighted to have Carly bring her signature brand of pop music to guests sailing aboard Carnival Splendor," said Sarah Beth Reno, Carnival's vice president of entertainment. "A free open-air concert on Lido Deck is an exciting new twist for Carnival LIVE and we can't wait for our guests to experience this one-of-a-kind entertainment concept in an entirely new setting," she added.

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