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Royal Couple for 3-day visit to Jamaica

Prince Charles and his wife Camilla, the Duchess of Cornwall will be in Jamaica for a three-day official visit from March 12 – 14. The British Royal Couple is expected to tour a number of places across the island.

The Kingston Restoration Company (KRC) development project in Rose Town, which Prince Charles has been sponsoring since his visit in 2000, is expected to benefit from next week's visit of the Royal Couple.

[For further information telephone: 876-908-5262]

Jamaica featured in Best Beaches Around the World TV show

Travel Channel's production of "**21 Best Beaches**" premieres tonight, Friday, March 7 at 9.00 p.m. The travel feature has Jamaica's seven mile Negril beach stretch coming in at 16th place among 21 of the best beaches in the world. According to the film's producers, all the beaches that were featured have one thing in common, *their unique sex appeal.*

Be sure to tune in tonight at 9:00p.m. EST.

[For further information visit:

http://www.travelchannel.com/Travel_Ideas/Beach_Vacations/World%27s_Sexiest_Beaches]

Rose Hall Resort & Country Club opens Soothe Spa

The Rose Hall Resort and Country Club in Montego Bay has opened its luxurious new facility – Soothe Spa.

Soothe Spa offers an extensive array of services and their wellness treatments are custom-designed with indigenous elements from the surrounding land and sea.

Soothe Spa patrons can benefit from massages, facials, nail and hair services and waxing.

[For further information telephone: www.rosehallresort.com]



All the National Geographic winning photos will appear in the July/August issue of National Geographic Traveler

Jamaican student placed second in National Geographic Traveller Youth Photo Contest

Tara-Kaye Salmon of St. Andrew High School in Kingston came in second place in the National Geographic Traveller Youth Photo Contest for 2007.

The competition was themed "In My View" and Tara-Kaya's picture entitled "Playing in the Light" featured the sunset silhouette of her friends frolicking in the sand of the Hellshire Beach.

As the second place winner, she will receive "The Ultimate Photography Package", consisting of a 35mm Digital Camera, several National Geographic Society Photography books, and a camera carrying case.

All the National Geographic winning photos will appear in the July/August issue of National Geographic Traveler.

The National Geographic photo competition is administered in Jamaica by the Jamaica Tourist Board.

[For further information telephone: 876- 908-5241]

Inaugural Caribbean Veggiefest March 15-16

Positive Tourism Network in association with the Caribbean Health Tourism & Spa Conference stages its inaugural Caribbean Veggie Fest 2008. This will take place at Rhodes Hall Plantation in Green Island, Hanover on March 15 and 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Festival will showcase a range of Caribbean vegetarian foods including five star gourmet preparations, raw foods, health juices, natural pies, herbs and spices as well as natural wines such as yam and ginger wines.

[For further information telephone: 876-381-1591 / 876-381-1417 OR visit: www.caribbeanveggiefest.com]



Jamaican chef makes special appearance on NY TV

Jamaican chef, Nigel Spence will make an appearance tonight on WABC-TV Eyewitness News in New York. The segment airs at 5 p.m. EST. Nigel is the owner and operator of Ripe Kitchen and Bar, which has received raving reviews in a number of publications including the New York Times.

The news piece will eventually be archived on www.7online.com. Once on the homepage persons may click Neighborhood Eats to access the clip. The episode on Nigel is with host Lauren Glassberg and will be archived under Red Stripe Beer Steamed Mussels or under Ripe Kitchen and Bar.

[For further information visit: www.riperestaurant.com]

2nd staging of Symphony Under the Stars

Set the Night to Music is the theme for the second staging of the classical reggae concert - Symphony Under the Stars. This musical extravaganza will take place at the Cable and Wireless Golf Academy on Saturday, March 15.

The show will headline international Rhythm and Blues artiste, Roberta Flack and features A.J. Brown, Da'ville, LUST, Courtney John and Chalice.

The New York Orchestra as well as the Masterpiece Band will back the performers. The New York Orchestra has the distinction of performing in over 25 countries worldwide and in productions such as Lion King and A Chorus Line. They are also famed for backing artistes such as Celine Dion, Sheryl Crow, Smokey Robinson among others.

[For further information telephone: 876-412-7872]

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Reminders

Flutes & Flames 2008

Flutes & Flames is an exclusive and elegant culinary affair featuring local and international celebrity chefs who pair their culinary expertise with champagne. This is the second staging of the event where chefs showcase succulent sample entrees topped with great entertainment.

The event will take place at the Terra Nova Hotel tonight Friday, March 7.

[For further information telephone: 876-909-1087 OR email: intek01@mail.infochan.com]

International Cuisine Dinner Series

The University of Technology's School of Hospitality and Tourism Management Dinner Series continues this weekend. Since February 1 an indigenous cuisine and culture have been highlighted in the series. The expose takes place at Lillian's Restaurant on the campus grounds. This weekend's themed dinner is CARIBBEAN NIGHT.

The remaining themed dinner is:

- Friday, March 28 – FRENCH NIGHT

[For further information email: icds2008@yahoo.com or telephone: 876-867-4028]

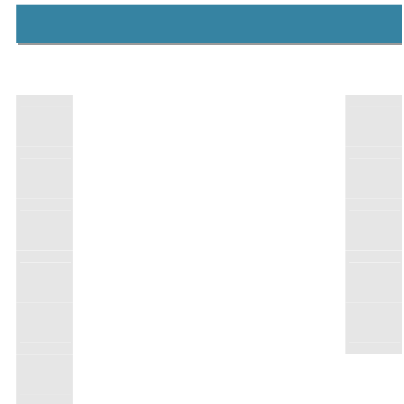


FRIDAY FACTS

Upcoming Events

- **Flutes and Flames** March 7
- **The Royal Visit** March 12 -14
- **Caribbean Veggiefest** March 15-16
- **C'bean Health Tourism & Spa Symposium** March 16
- **Symphony Under the Stars** March 15
- **St. Elizabeth Horticultural Show** March 23
- **Trelawny Yam Festival** March 23

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