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STARS IN THE MAKING, IN A CITY NEAR YOU

Universal Studios Singapore embarks on 11-city audition world tour, starting with Singapore

SINGAPORE, 23 April 2009 – The Marilyn Monroes of the world will have a brand new subway grating – complete with skirt-lifting updraft – to perform their classic *Seven Year Itch* pose, as **Universal Studios Singapore** embarks on an 11-city audition world tour, in search of the world's best stunt performers, stilt walkers, puppeteers, vocal impersonators, singers, dancers, actors and celebrity lookalikes for, among others, Charlie Chaplin, Princess Fiona, Beetlejuice and of course, the Hollywood screen legend Marilyn Monroe.

Auditions in Singapore will kick off the world tour on 27 and 28 April 2009. The audition team will then travel to 10 other cities – Kuala Lumpur, Hong Kong, Manila, Gold Coast, Melbourne, Auckland, Orlando, Toronto, Salt Lake City and Hollywood. *[Please see attached tour schedule for dates and venues.]*

Nearly 200 talents are needed for various attractions within the highly-anticipated 20-hectare Universal Studios Singapore, which will open in early 2010. Universal Studios Singapore is Southeast Asia's first and only Universal Studios theme park, and is part of Resorts World at Sentosa – a brand new US\$4.32 billion integrated family destination located on the tropical holiday island of Sentosa.

The sought-after talents needed include stuntmen for the Waterworld Stunt Show, stilt walkers for street parades, vocal impersonators for interactive performances as well as roving celebrity lookalikes and animated mascots to meet and greet guests in the park – a signature of every Universal Studios theme park.

Ms Andrea Teo, Vice President of Entertainment, Resorts World at Sentosa said: "In keeping with the world-class entertainment standards of Universal Studios theme parks, we want to attract the world's best talents, making Universal Studios Singapore an experience that will leave everyone breathless – from the death-defying stunts at the Waterworld Stunt Show, to the elaborate costumes that the mascots don, with full characterisation of the characters."

"We are offering full-time jobs to a group of skilled performers who have traditionally relied on short-term gigs and ad-hoc performances as livelihood. And of course, the chance to work in cosmopolitan Singapore, and become the pioneer team of performers in the latest Universal Studios theme park in the world," Ms Teo added.

Talents will be assessed on their skills-sets, adaptability and showmanship by a panel of judges from Universal Studios Singapore in the closed-door auditions.

Successful talents will be notified by August and offered a contract with Resorts World at Sentosa, home of Universal Studios Singapore. Not only will they be trained by show directors and stunt coordinators for their performances at the park, this might be a chance-in-a-lifetime for some talents to relocate to cosmopolitan Singapore by year-end, in preparation for the park's opening early 2010.

Universal Studios Singapore is part of Singapore's newest integrated mega family resort, Resorts World at Sentosa. It will boast 24 rides, shows and attractions spread across seven themed zones, with 18 attractions either brand new concepts or highly popular themes redesigned especially for Singapore. This includes the world's first 'Transformers' ride, based on the award-winning 2007 box office blockbuster movie and its scheduled June 2009 sequel.

Besides being home to Southeast Asia's first and only Universal Studios theme park, the 49-hectare Resorts World at Sentosa, designed by American architect Michael Graves, will also showcase the world's largest oceanarium, as well as six hotels and a myriad of entertainment offerings.

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Caption: Needed: a gathering of stars for Universal Studios Singapore



Caption: Universal Studios Singapore wants you!



Caption: Marilyn Monroe, one of the many stars at Universal Studios Singapore

About Resorts World at Sentosa

Slated to be one of the world's most exciting family destinations, Resorts World at Sentosa is a collection of resorts and attractions with a plethora of fun-filled offerings for the entire family.

Taking pride of place on Singapore's resort island of Sentosa and spanning 49 hectares of lush greenery amongst pristine lakes, this S\$6.59 billion mega-resort will be home to Southeast Asia's first and only Universal Studios theme park, the world's largest oceanarium – Marine Life Park and the region's only fully integrated destination spa – ESPA.

The resort also boasts a total of 1,800 keys, spread across its six hotels of varying themes, with full conference and meeting amenities, including a ballroom that sits 7,300 delegates. Topping the list are the ultra-luxurious Maxims Tower, and the world's only Hotel Michael, named after famed US-architectural legend, Michael Graves who designed the mega-resort. Other accommodation options include the trendy Hard Rock Hotel Singapore, as well as Equarius Hotel and 40 beach facing Spa Villas, perfect for some solitude and privacy.

Beyond resorts and attractions, there will also be world-class entertainment to engage visitors. Most eagerly-anticipated is the Crane Dance – a spectacular multi-media moving art with cleverly choreographed animatronic cranes set out at the waterfront.

An unparalleled array of retail and dining options at FestiveWalk, as well as roving acts and street performances await guests at the Bull Ring.

Indeed, come 2010, Resorts World at Sentosa looks set to welcome 15 million visitors in its first year of operations, with its full array of family-friendly attractions. It will be a place that Singapore can proudly call its own.

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