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## Entertainment and Shipboard Activities Quick Facts

Every day on a Holland America Line cruise brings a wealth of activities and enrichment. There is always a full schedule — from attending an engaging presentation or learning about reds at a wine tasting to channeling Picasso at a painting class or playing pickleball.

When the sun goes down, experience evening entertainment through a variety of performances. At the heart of it all is the best live music at sea that includes the soulful sounds of Memphis, rock's biggest anthems and Billboard's greatest hits. Mesmerizing dance shows, local entertainers and side-splitting laughs fill the nights aboard a Holland America Line cruise.

### **ENTERTAINMENT:**

#### **The Clubs and Musicians**

The musicians and groups perform a variety of genres playing everything from rock, pop and R&B to American standards, guitar solos and classical string music.

- B.B. King's Blues Club: Rotterdam, Nieuw Statendam, Koningsdam.
- Billboard Onboard: Rotterdam, Nieuw Statendam, Koningsdam, Eurodam, Nieuw Amsterdam, Noordam, Westerdam, Oosterdam, Zuiderdam.
- Rolling Stone Rock Room: Rotterdam, Nieuw Statendam, Koningsdam.
- Rolling Stone Lounge: Eurodam, Nieuw Amsterdam, Noordam, Westerdam, Oosterdam, Zuiderdam.
- Third Avenue West (trio): Eurodam, Nieuw Amsterdam, Noordam, Westerdam, Oosterdam, Zuiderdam.
- Piano Bar: Volendam, Zaandam.
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#### **The Shows:**

A variety of shows are featured throughout the fleet depending on the region and length of cruise. Not all shows are on all ships, so guests cruising on different ships will enjoy a variety of entertainment experiences.

- Step One Dance Company: Six elite dancers blend high-caliber dance with artistic projections to create unique shows.
- Island Magic: The sounds of the Caribbean headline World Stage with a steel drum group playing a versatile repertoire.
- Major Fourth: four singers deliver impactful harmonies covering all genres and decades.
- Roadhouse: An immersive experience that features Major Fourth and Step One Dance Company popping up with performances in the music clubs.
- Cantaré: An all-male singing group with electrifying performances featuring iconic pop songs and amazing harmonies.
- Guest Entertainers: Comedians, special musical acts, magicians and local performers featuring the culture of the destination hit the stage on select nights.

### **ACTIVITIES (Sample Selection):**

In addition to a full cruise staff headed by the Cruise and Travel Director, Holland America Line added a full-time art and craft instructor and a sports director to each ship. In addition to these two positions, Holland America Line also is adding new art studios, sports facilities, game rooms and libraries on select ships throughout the fleet.

### **Enrichment:**

- EXC Talks bring local cultural and history on board. Examples: Gone Fishing (Canada); Diving into the Deep (Mexico), The Iditarod (Alaska); Calypso, Reggae and Ska (Caribbean); Aloha, Baby! (Hawaii); Nordic Pioneers (Northern Europe).
- Hero Talks: Origin Story, City on the Sea, The Panama Canal.
- Scenic narration, languages and customs, coffee/cocktail chats, , port information, tech for travelers.and in the future, art collection tours
- Back by popular demand, libraries are being added to to all ships in the fleet and are to be completed by 2025.

### **Fun & Games:**

- Team trivia, bridge, bingo, shipboard scavenger hunts, Call My Bluff, Secret Identities, Simon Says, Majority Rules, Connect the Dots Challenge, board games and more!
- Officer versus Guests events, coffee/cocktail chats.
- Game Room: Eurodam, Koningsdam, Rotterdam, Volendam, Westerdam, Zaandam, Zuiderdam.
- High Score!: Eurodam and Oosterdam.

### **Arts & Crafts Examples:**

- Paint Your Own Canvas with Acrylics.
- Color Pencil for Beginners and Doodle Design.
- Adventures with Water Color.
- Modern Brush Lettering.
- Punch Needle Embroidery, Knitting Basics.
- Learn to Fold Origami.
- The Art of Flower Arranging.
- Creative Writing (Grand Voyages only).

### **Sports & Fitness:**

- All ships have a dedicated pickleball court.
- Tai Chi for Everyone.
- Permission to Dance.
- On Deck for a Cause charity walk.
- Swim Across the ... (equator, International Date Line, etc.).
- Cornhole, ping pong, shuffleboard, ladder ball, basketball.
- Ballroom Dance (Grand Voyages only).

### **Kids Club**

Holland America Line's youth program accommodates kids ages three to 17, all supervised by professionally trained staff. Kids Club is broken into younger kids, tweens and teen programs so appropriate activities and areas on the ships cater to the right age.

- Ages 3 – 6: Highlights for this group include activities, crafts, games and theme parties, such as “Dino-Mite Night” and “Ships Ahoy Pirate Treasure Hunt Adventure.”
- Ages 7 – 12: From arts & crafts and sporting events to gaming tournaments and theme parties, tweens will have plenty to enjoy.
- Ages 13 – 17: During the day, teens meet up for sports challenges and group games, while our hosts provide exclusive teen events like Poker Night and Video Game Tournaments at night.

Note: Kids Club is not offered on cruises of 25-days or longer, including all Legendary and Grand Voyages. We will offer a selection of children's activities throughout these longer voyages for any children who may be on board.

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