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Anaheim Roadshow Coming To AKL

Anaheim is returning to New Zealand with its first dedicated roadshow in five years this Aug, bringing with it Kiwi favourites, new kids on the block and some special guests.

"We have over 20 participants so we're very excited," Anaheim Orange County Visitor and Convention Bureau director of tourism development Pepe Avila told *Travel Today* at IPW last week. "New Zealand is a strong market for us, around 25% of New Zealand visitors to the US come and stay in Anaheim. We recognised the importance of this market many years ago, we have had representation in this market for over 20 years and we work very closely with trade and media in developing opportunities." ACVB boss Jay Burress (pictured on

left with Avila in Orlando last week) will be joining the mission to New Zealand for the first time, in a further sign of Anaheim's support for New Zealand, says Avila.

There will be new hotels including the Ayres Hotel in Orange, Spring-Hill Suites Convention Center, Hyatt Place at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center—and the Homewood Suites Anaheim Convention Centre/Disneyland, which is 'so new it hasn't even opened yet'.

Anaheim will also introduce its new branding, which launches at the end of the month and will include a new destination video and website.



Attractions like SeaWorld, Universal Studios and Knotts Berry Farm will share details of their new attractions; there's the latest in shopping from Macy's, Citadel Outlets and Outlets at Orange; and transport updates from Catalina Express, Karmel Shuttle and Southern California Grey Line.

Other properties include Anabella Hotel, DoubleTree Suites, Embassy Suites Anaheim South, Hilton Anaheim, Hotel Menage, Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach and Red Lion Anaheim.

Avila says they will also be updating agents on changes to the Anaheim Resort Transportation (ART) transit system, which has new routes to South Coast Plaza and Santa Ana.

The roadshow visits Auckland on 24 Aug, with a travel agent expo taking place at the Hilton Auckland. It will feature a 'late-night talk show' style hosted by Michele A'Court. Registration details will be announced soon.

Awards Finalists Out

TAANZ has announced the finalists for the National Travel Industry Awards, with House of Travel, Harvey World Travel and United Travel set to square off for the title of travel agency brand.

The announcement of the finalists in the 21 categories has been made a week ahead of schedule to give agency finalists time to prepare their judging submissions, says TAANZ boss Andrew Olsen.

Judging is set to commence 13 Jul for the 11 agency categories.

"The voting support from both sides of the industry has lifted significantly this year," says Olsen. "The finalists are a good representation of the agency and supplier brands and the number of votes received an indication that NTIA has established itself as the premier awards and industry event."

Olsen is urging anyone who hasn't yet bought tickets to the event to do so now, promising it will be an 'outstanding evening's celebration of excellence and entertainment'. There are also several categories available to be sponsored.

For the full list of finalists, and details on buying tickets, see p8.

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Passport Fee Too Low?

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The newly announced 10-year passports could reportedly end up doubling in price, unless millions of dollars of taxpayers' money is spent to keep the cost down. Cabinet papers obtained by *Radio NZ* reveal the government will need to come up with an extra \$200 million, or double the cost of the passport to \$400 from 2021.

The current fee of \$180 is supported by a capital injection of \$20 million to cover the costs through to Jul 2018. Internal Affairs Minister Peter Dunne was reported as saying passport technology could have changed by 2021 and it is too early to speculate what might happen at that point.

Dollar Hits Low

The NZD hit its lowest point against the USD since Aug 2010 over the weekend, touching USD0.7025. It also slipped against the AUD, to AUD0.9221.





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EK And French Rail

Emirates has announced a new codeshare partnership with France's national railway company, SNCF, which will allow passengers to travel from New Zealand to one of 19 new destinations in France on one ticket. Travellers will be able to fly with EK and transfer to a high-speed train directly at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport through the TGF Air service. Destinations include Aix en Provence, Avignon, Bordeaux-Saint-Jean, Lyon Part-Dieu, Marseilles Saint-Charles, Montpellier-Saint-Roch and Toulon. Customers can now book for travel dates from 08 Jun, and passengers in first and business class will automatically be booked in first class on the TGV trains.

GO, Treasure Incentive

GO Holidays is giving agents the chance to win a five-night Treasure Island holiday for two, with bookings of the resort's stay four pay two deal available until 31 Jun. To be in to win, email details of confirmed bookings by 31 Jun to mybookings@treasure.com.fj

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New LHR Pay Premium Lounge



The first independent lounge has opened at London's Heathrow Airport, costing from GBP35pp for two hours including extensive choices of F&B, free WiFi and showers.

The new Plaza Premium Lounge has opened at LHR's departures terminal four and is part of the company's USD40 million global expansion plan. It offers productivity pods for those looking for peace and quiet, and there's a separate bar area and VIP area (complete with a separate entrance and three private resting suites).

Other highlights include four shower rooms, and plug sockets for tablets, laptops and mobile phones. Plaza Premium Lounge Management boss Song Hoi-see says the company is excited by its continued expansion at the airport. "IATA predicts that air traffic passenger numbers will reach 7.3 billion by 2034, more than double the 3.3 billion in 2014—and at Plaza Premium Lounge, we respond to and deliver the increasing demand from all travellers for improved services at airports,"he adds.

The Plaza Premium Lounge presence is set to expand with Brisbane, Phnom Penh, Salalah, Singapore, Shanghai Pudong, Siem Reap and Winnipeg in the pipeline. Along with this, the company's first UK airport

Win A Trip To Oman

Trade partners are being offered the first shot at winning a seven-night trip to Oman, ahead of the general public, advises the Sultanate of Oman Tourism Australia and New Zealand. The Open Doors to the Secrets of Oman website promotion encourages agents to engage with the five core experience pillars that travellers might explore on an Oman holidayancient paths, grand adventure, local treasure, total indulgence, and wild at heart. Visitors to the website need to select their favourite Oman experiences to be in to win the seven-night trip for two, including flights. See secretsofoman.com.au

hotel is scheduled to open in London Heathrow terminal three in 2016. During Jun, a special opening rate of GBP30pp for two hours applies. See plaza-network.com

Star's Fares On Sabre

Star Alliance Round the World and Circle Fares can now be booked and automatically calculated on the Sabre GDS, the alliance has announced. Previously pricing often had to be calculated manually, due to routings involved in RTW traffic. Sabre announced in Mar that it had become the first marketplace to offer automated RTW and CT airfares. "We were keen to respond to industry demand to automate this process, and we are proud to be the first GDS to introduce a new industry framework earlier in the year," says Sabre's Harald Eisenaecher. "Since then, we have had a hugely positive response to this new technology from our travel agent clients."



Cruising Today



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Hurtigruten's Polar Expansion



Hurtigruten will double its capacity to Antarctica next year, when the MS Midnatsol heads south to Antarctica, says Discover the World (DTW).

While the MS Fram will continue to operate from Ushuaia, with sailings including the Falkland Islands and

Fall Colours

Cruise Holidays advises of a number Fall Colours themed voyages aboard American Queen. There's a nineday St Paul to St Louis cruise with departures 05 or 19 Sep, priced from \$4420pp s/t; nine-day St Louis to St Paul cruise, with departures 12 and 26 Sep, priced from \$4420pp s/t; and the nine-day St Louis to Nashville cruise, departing 10 Oct, priced from \$3560pp. On sale to 31 Jul or until sold out. T&C's apply.

Trade Incentive

Francis Travel Marketing advises of Ponant's up-to-\$600 booking incentive. Agents will earn a \$300 incentive per person booked and deposited or \$600 per twin-share booked and deposited. The incentive is valid for all new bookings, booked and deposited through FTM before 24 Jul. Rewards will be distributed in the form of a Visa Prezzy Card. E-mail reservations@ftmcruise.co.nz South Orkney Islands, from Sep 2016 MS Midnatsol will set sail from Punta Arenas to explore the Chilean Fjords, Strait of Magellan and Cape Horn, before heading to Antarctica. Operating with a capacity of 500 passengers, the MS Midnatsol is more than double the size of the MS Fram and will be the largest passenger vessel to offer landings in Antarctica, says DTW.

She will also offer a softer style of adventure cruise, while MS Fram will appeal to more adventurous travellers. Hurtigruten boss officer Daniel Skjeldam says this is a strategic move. "We are positioning ourselves even stronger in the growing exploration market ... With the modern and flexible MS Midnatsol we meet the growing global demand for active nature-based experiences with an attractive product." MS Midnatsol will undergo some adjustments prior to the Antarctica sailings Sep 2016-Apr 2017, and will operate 16 departures, 10 of these to Antarctica. Prices start from GBP1016 for the 'Cultural Contrasts-Through North Atlantic to Africa' departing on 16 Sep 2016, based on two sharing an inside cabin on full-board basis.

Antarctica itineraries start from GBP3535 for the 'Southern Hemisphere Adventure' departing 01 Mar 2017, in an inside cabin on full-board basis, including return flights from Santiago-Punta Arenas.

New Appt, Carnival

Carnival Cruise Line has named James Heaney as senior vice president and chief financial officer, advises Francis Travel Marketing. He joins Carnival 22 Jun.

MSC Milestone

MSC Cruises has marked a key milestone in its GBP5.1 billion growth plan as the first steel for its new Vista generation of megaships was cut at STX France.









Authentic Tahiti

As part of a push to encourage

Kiwis to experience a more authentic side of Tahiti, Martyn Alexander (pictured) from Flight Centre in Broadway, Auckland, has won a trip to stay in one of the islands' guest houses. In



partnership with Air Tahiti Nui and the Association of Family Hotels of The Islands of Tahiti, Alexander's win came after he sold an eight-night package to Pension Fare Vai Nui, a boutique guest house consisting of four bungalows built on the edge of Raiatea's lagoon with views out to Bora Bora. Alexander says he is looking forward to taking his wife and daughter to Tahiti for five nights.

EK's Bali Service

Emirates has commenced a daily non-stop service between Dubai and Bali, operated by B777-300ER in a two-class configuration.



Osaka Eat Til You Drop



Korean Air, in conjunction with JTB, recently hosted 12 agents on a famil to Japan, visiting Osaka, Okayama, Kyoto and Kinosaki Onsen.

The group stayed in Osaka for two nights and visited Umeda Sky Building, Osaka Castle and experienced variety of delicious foods, saying Osaka is a city to 'eat 'til you drop'.

They travelled to Okayama using the bullet train and stayed a night in Okayama where they visited the famous Korakuen Garden, Japan's three most celebrated landscaped gardens and Kurashiki, a traditional town. Then it was off to Kyoto to see the famous shrines and temples before going on the Kinosaki Onsen for an overnight stay at the Ryokan (Japanese Inn), a highlight of the trip. Pictured: 1 Larisa James, Flight Centre West City with Japanese Girls in traditional kimono. 2 Maria Nowak, Greenlite Travel and Lyn McLeod, United Travel Lower Hutt at Kinosaki Onsen. **3** At Kiyomizu Temple is Mike Kim, Korean Air; Merel Vaessen, Flight Centre Lambton Quay; and Kirsten Dacombe, Flight Centre Chews Lane. **4** Sharing the love at Heian Jingu Shrine in Kyoto is Samara Liyanage, Flight Centre Mt Eden with Maree Watson, House of Travel Tauranga.

Wendy Wu Incentive

Wendy Wu is celebrating its 21st birthday with a new agent incentive. All new bookings deposited 02-30 Jun will receive a \$20 shopping voucher, and will also put agents in the draw to win a team dinner at a local Asian restaurant. For clients, the first 50 bookings deposited in Jun on fully inclusive and deluxe tours will receive a bottle of champagne delivered to their door.

Wendy Wu is also offering a free upgrade to an overnight Halong Bay cruise on all departures of Vietnam Impressions up to and including 19 Sep; and a free night's accommodation pre- or post- with a private transfer is offered on Vietnam Panorama, Angkor to the Bay, Vietnam Highlights, Vietnam at a Glance, Vietnam Trails and Vietnam Escape for departures up to and including 19 Sep.

Nha Trang Bay Cruise

Exotic Holidays has announced the launch of their Nha Trang Bay overnight cruises, beginning later this year. The cruises will include snorkelling, diving, lunch, trekking, beach stops and kayaking at Hon Mieu, Hon Mun, Dam Bay and Tru Beach. The port is located 15 minutes from downtown Nha Trang. Sailing dates are available from Exotic Holidays.





Kalachakara Dates

The 34th Kalachakara will be held 14–25 Janat Bodh Gaya, Bihar, advises Exotic Holidays, and clients interested in attending the holy event are urged to book soon to avoid disappointment. His Holiness the Dalai Lama along with Namgyal Monks and senior lamas will conduct rituals, give preliminary teachings, offer prayers and perform ritual dance, says the wholesaler, which has a number of FIT packages designed around Kalachakara. Ph 0508 396 842.

MCEC Expansion

The Victorian State Government has confirmed the expansion of the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre (MCEC) will go ahead. The AUD210 million development will ensure the MCEC remains Australia's largest convention and exhibition space by expanding the South Ward precinct to offer a range of flexible spaces and to meet the changing needs of the business events industry. The project is expected to result in an additional 74000 international visitors annually. See mcec.com.au

Sheraton 2020 Plan; New Campaign, Tier

Starwood Hotels & Resorts has introduced Sheraton 2020, a 10-point plan designed to put the company back into the global spotlight.

A nod to the plan's clear five-year vision, includes a new AUD100 million Sheraton-focused marketing campaign; the launch of the new premier tier, Sheraton Grand; and continuous innovation of the Sheraton guest experience. The company is also implementing revenue and profitdriving initiatives to benefit owners and developers; and has a goal of opening more than 150 new Sheraton

Aussie Food Tour

Respected Australian chef and food consultant Tawnya Bahr has created a new range of food experiences, advises Business Events Australia. Itineraries can be tailored to suit the level of cooking experience and a typical tour might include farm, vineyard or aquaculture visits, personalised tastings, hosted meals by an Australian chef and meet the producer sessions. Airfares from Sydney or Melbourne, ground transport and selected overnight accommodation can also be arranged. See tawnyabahr.com hotels worldwide by 2020.

Starwood chief executive officer Adam Aron says Sheraton 2020 is a top priority. ". . . We will act boldly to put Sheraton back on its rightful pedestal as a global hotel brand of choice, everywhere," he says.

Initiatives are scheduled to roll out as soon as Jun, and a new brand positioning and global advertising campaign will launch in Sep, plus, its teams around the world will be working together to execute the plan. See sheraton.com for more.

Handpicked Canada

Adventure World advises of its 20day independent journey in Canada. Highlights include viewing the Canadian Rockies whilst on-board the Rocky Mountaineer, and seeing the Niagara Falls in Toronto. It's priced from \$8590pp s/t, including hotel accommodation, many meals, internal flights, airport transfers and more. Plus, book before 15 Jun to receive a free city stay which includes one-night hotel accommodation in Vancouver, a city tour and airport transfers. See adventureworld.co.nz



TreadRight Ambassador

The Travel Corporation's not-forprofit initiative the TreadRight Foundation has named Celine Cousteau as an ambassador. Cousteau is a documentary filmmaker and storyteller, who has travelled the world to tell stories of those who are working to protect ecosystems, wildlife and people. She will assist in communicating the TreadRight mission while telling stories of the sustainability project partners TreadRight helps to support around the world. To celebrate, TreadRight and the The Travel Corporation have released an inspirational video. CLICK HERE

KidZania London

KidZania, a 75000sq ft child-size city, is set to open in London 25 Jun. It will feature over 60 professions, where children aged four-14 can enjoy real life role-play experiences, such as in an aviation academy, TV studio, police station, hospital and more. It will be located at Westfield London, Ariel Way. See london.kidzania.com

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Samoa Tourism Impact

Samoa's tourism industry is facing challenges but is overall hopeful for the next few years, Samoa Tourism Authority has said as it launches its Economic Impact Analysis (EIA) report.

The report outlines tourism spend in Samoa and the impact tourism has on the country's development, says Samoa's Prime Minister Tuilaepa Fatialofa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi. "Tourism generated WST370 million (20% of GDP) for the national economy in 2013 and with a 5% growth recorded for visitor arrivals in 2014, the economic climate for the industry is hopeful over the next few years," he says. "These figures reaffirm government's decision to prioritise the sector in its development strategy."

Samoa's tourism industry continues to face challenges including aviation constraints which are hindering potential growth outside of key inbound markets, says the STA. It's also striving for a co-ordinated approach among all stakeholders for enhancing necessary infrastructure so it can fulfil its potential in the increasingly competitive global tourism environment.

Incubation Program

Travelport has announced the development of a seed stage and investment mentorship program to accelerate the growth of innovative start-up companies focused on travel commerce. Start-ups accepted into the incubation program will be mentored by Travelport experts, have access to software development kits, data feeds, as well as office space and other support services. The first session is scheduled for later this year. For more details visit travelport.com

NY's IN QLD

For clients looking to spend their New Year's abroad, GO Holidays has released a range of Queensland specials. They include five nights on the Gold Coast from \$409pp d/s or from \$249pp f/s; five nights on the Sunshine Coast from \$509pp d/s or from \$255pp f/s; five nights in Cairns from \$415pp t/s or from \$205pp f/s; five nights Port Douglas from \$469pp t/s or from \$339pp f/s; and a five-night Palm Cove package from \$405pp t/s or from \$275pp f/s. The packages are on sale until 30 Jun for travel 29 Dec-03 Jan 2016.

Bumper Whale Season Tipped

A bumper whale season is expected to entice tourists back to the Port Stephens region after the Apr storms.

The official season kicked off in Port Stephens on 01 Jun, however the region has already been seeing a number of whales breaching, as well as dolphins and New Zealand fur seals. Ramada Resort Shoal Bay reservations manager Michelle Hoy says it will be particularly important to entice visitors this winter. "The whole town has really suffered but we have bounced back and are ready to welcome visitors to this gorgeous part of the world," she says. "The whale season is always important for tourism in the area, but never more so than this year as we recover from the storms."

Tamboi Queen Cruises marketing and sales assistant Meghan Richardson agrees, saying the whale season will not only help local tourism, but will also lift the spirit of local residents as the town continues the storm clean-up. She says the town is open and ready for business, adding that winter is a great time to visit Port Stephens, get away from the desk and reconnect with nature.

. . . Package Deal

Ramada Resort Shoal Bay and Tamboi Queen Cruises are teaming up to offer a special accommodation and whale watching package. For AUD175 per night, guests can stay in a studio apartment and will also get

New At Hertz Hertz has announced that Chris Rusden has taken up the position of vice president for Hertz, Asia Pacific.

Hongzhou Overnight Tour

Active Asia has added an overnight tour travelling by return high speed train ex Shanghai to the city of Hangzhou, which includes the famous and picturesque West Lake scenic area featuring more than 60 cultural relic sites and attractions. Hangzhou is also renowned for the Grand Canal-the longest canal in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Four-star accommodation including breakfast, all transport and private sightseeing as well as two lunches and one breakfast is priced from \$559pp.



two tickets to head out and watch the whales. A minimum two-night stay applies and upgrades are available. See ramada.com for more.

Travel Channel Jul

The Travel Channel has a range of new shows premiering this Jul. Durban Beach Rescue, premiering 04 Jul, will follow a team of South African lifeguards on Durban's beaches; Booze Traveller, premiering on 25 Jul, will see cocktail connoisseur Jack Maxwell travel around the world to try local tipples; Bikinis & Boardwalks, premiering 04 Jul, will showcase some of America's liveliest summer hotspots; and Bizarre Foods: Delicious Destinations, premiering 18 Jul, will follow Andrew Zimmern as he visits the world's most delicious destinations. See travelchannelty co nz

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JUNE

Scenic Information Sessions Hamilton: Mon 15, Hotel Novotel. Tauranga: Tue 16, Mills Reef Winery. Lower Hutt: Mon 06, Strikenz, 399 Auckland East/South: Wed 17, Waipuna Hotel. Auckland North: Thu 18. The Spencer on Byron Hotel. Nelson: Mon 29, Rutherford Hotel. Timaru: Tue 30, Landing Services Building.

Globus Family of Brands and Rocky Mountaineer 2016 North America Launch

Hamilton: Tue 23, Jukebox Diner, 11 Railside Place, 1745. Tauranga: Wed 24, Rye- American Kitchen, 19 Wharf Street, 1745. Napier: Thu 25, Hogs Breath Café, 49 Marine Parade, 1745.

Globus Family of Brands 2016 North America Launch

Auckland Central: Tue 23, MetroLanes, Level 3, 291-297 Queen Street, 1800. Auckland North: Wed 24, Xtreme Wairau Park, 10 Target Crescent, 1800. Auckland East: Thu 25, Xtreme Botany Park, 500a Ti Rakau Drive, North Park, 1800.

JULY

Scenic Information Sessions Dunedin: Wed 01, Hotel St Clair. Invercargill: Thu 02, The Kelvin Hotel.

Nepal Fundraiser In conjunction with South African Airways and **Adventure World**

Auckland: Wed 01. Sky City Convention Centre, 1730-1800 Drinks/Nibbles,1800-1930 Travel Ouiz.

Globus Family of Brands 2016 North America Launch

Nelson: Wed 01. Action Indoor Sports Stadium, 30 McPherson Street, Richmond, 1745. Pukekohe: Tue 21, Pukekohe Cosmopolitan Club - Ten Pin Bowling Centre, 78 Nelson Street, 1745.

Globus Family of Brands and Rocky Mountaineer- 2016 North America Launch Hutt Road, 1745. Palmerston North: Tue 07, Bowlarama Ten Pin Bowling Centre, 94 Cuba Street, 1745. Christchurch: Tue 21, Tequila Mockingbird, 98 Victoria Street, 1745.

Hawaii Tourism MCI Roadshow Mon 27, Dates and venue tba.

AUGUST

Bula Marau Fiji Roadshow -Around Viti Levu Christchurch: Mon 3, Novotel Christchurch, 1730-2030. Wellington: Tue 4, InterContinental, 1730-2030. Auckland: Wed 5, Stamford Hotel, 1730-2045. Hamilton: Thu 6. Novotel Tainui. 1730-2030.

Anaheim Roadshow Auckland: Mon 24, The Hilton, 1730.

SEPTEMBER

TAANZ AGM Auckland: Wed 09, Heritage Hotel, from 1500.

OCTOBER

Adventure World and Rocky Mountaineer Breakfast Invercargill: Mon 05, 0730-0830. Queenstown: Mon 06, 0730-0830. Venues TBC.

Bula Marau Fiji Roadshow -Luxury & Couples

Nelson: Mon 12, Grand Mercure Monaco Resort, 0730-0930. Christchurch: Mon 12, Peppers Clearwater, 1730-2130. Wellington: Tue 13, Amora Hotel, 1730-2030. Auckland: Wed 14, Pullman Hotel, 1730-2045. Hamilton: Thu 15, Novotel Tainui, 1730-2030





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TAANZ National Travel Industry Award Finalists 2015

TAANZ has today released the finalists for the 2015 National Travel Industry Awards (NTIA).

AGENT CATEGORIES:	SUPPLIER CATEGORIES:
Category 1: Best Travel Agency Brand Harvey World Travel; House of Travel; United Travel.	Category 12: Best Wholesaler. Expedia TAAP; Francis Travel Marketing; GO Holidays.
Category 2: Best Brand Retail - Single Location. Fuzion Travel,World Travellers; House of Travel Northlands; United Travel Mairangi Bay.	Category 13: Best International Airline – Online. Air New Zealand; Emirates; Since and Airline –
Category 3: Best Brand Retail - Multi Location. China Travel Service (NZ); Kate Smythe House of Travel; United Travel Mount Group.	Singapore Airlines.
Category 4: Best Brand Corporate - Single Location. BCD Travel; Executive Travel; Orbit Wellington.	Airline – Offline. Etihad; Lufthansa German Airlines; Virgin Atlantic Airways.
Category 5: Best Brand Corporate - Multi Location. Air New Zealand Tandem Travel; APX Travel AIR NEW ZEALAND	Category 15: Best Cruise Operator. APT Group; Carnival NZ (Princess Cruises & Cunard Line); Royal Caribbean International.
Category 6: Best Travel Consultant – Retail. Christine Sheppard, World Travellers, Best Travel; Jo Mayston, United Travel Bethlehem; Judy Harkness, Calder & Lawson House of Travel	Category 16: Best Tour Operator. Globus Family of Brands; Innovative Travel Company; Insight Vacations.
Category 7: Best Travel Consultant Corporate. Amelia Glubb, APX Travel Management; Liz Goodall, HRG New Zealand; Paul Johnson, AIR NEW ZEALAND Calder & Lawson Orbit.	Category 17: Best Car Rental Operator. Avis Rent a Car; Budget Rent a Car; Hertz New Zealand.
Category 8: Best Travel Agency Manager – Retail. Clare Jackson, House of Travel Newmarket; Michelle Malcolm, Harvey World Travel North Harbour; Rosalind Chapman, United Travel Feilding.	Category 18: Best Hotel Group. Accor; Mantra Group; Starwood Hotels & Resorts.
Category 9: Best Travel Agency Manager – Corporate. Grant Avis, Gilpin Corporate Travel; Jackie Bell, APX Travel Management; Megan Sewell, Orbit Wellington.	Category 19: Best Technology Supplier. Amadeus IT Pacific; Sabre Pacific; Travelport (Galileo).
Category 10: Best Broker Brand. CTS Brokers; NZ Travel Brokers; Travel Managers Group.	Category 20: Best Industry Representative. Andy Bruce, P&O Cruises; Judith Wesley, World Journeys; Rod Griffith, Intrepid Group.
Category 11: Best Broker. Debbie Bradford, NZ Travel Brokers; Jane Hanson, United Travel Bethlehem; Kristin Edgeworth, Travel Managers Group.	Category 21: Best Agency Support. Air New Zealand; Air Tickets; QBE Travel Insurance. Travel Insurance

TAANZ National Travel Industry Awards 2015 Friday 28th August at the Aviation Hall, Museum of Transport and Technology (MOTAT) Tickets on sale \$1,250+GST table of 10 or \$125+GST per person. Price includes five hours of food, entertainment, the awards ceremony and some other surprises! For enquiries please contact Gilpin Travel events@gilpin.co.nz