

# Media Release

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## STATION PIER CELEBRATES HISTORIC MILESTONE

Victoria's cruise ship industry will experience a first this weekend with two Silversea ships docking in Melbourne simultaneously for the first time in its history – following the reopening by the Allan Labor Government in October this year.

The landmark occasion will see the arrival of the luxury cruise lines 'Silver Nova' and 'Silver Moon' ships at Station Pier, which reopened to the public in October for the first time since 2020.

To mark the occasion a community event will be held between 9:00am and 6:00pm on Saturday and 12:00pm and 2:00pm on Sunday – featuring music and live large-scale street art from acclaimed local contemporary artist Tom Gerrard who will create a mural at the venue for cruise ship passengers to contribute to when they disembark.

The event will celebrate the continued operation of Station Pier as a shipping and cruise ship facility for years to come.

The upgraded Station Pier saw the refurbishment of the Gatehouse, structural pylons, electrical systems, corrosion protection and wharf deck – ensuring it remains an accessible destination for operators and visitors for decades to come.

Victoria's cruise ship industry employs 1,269 full-time equivalent positions and contributes \$424.8 million a year to the our economy – bringing in more than 300,000 visitors to Victoria.

### **Quote attributable to Minister for Ports and Freight Melissa Horne**

*"It's fantastic to see visitors enjoying this world-class experience to encourage more people to see our beautiful city while boosting tourism and supporting local jobs and businesses."*

### **Quote attributable to Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Steve Dimopoulos**

*"Every ship that docks here helps support Victoria's tourism industry, and today's double arrival is great news for local jobs."*

### **Quotes attributable to Chief Executive Officer Ports Victoria Craig Walker**

*"Ports Victoria is honoured to partner with Silversea and welcome the dual arrival of Silversea's sister vessels to Station Pier."*

*"Melbourne and regional Victoria are premier destinations for luxury cruising, and we're proud of the significant economic and cultural benefits this world-class tourism experience delivers to our state."*

### **Quote attributable to Visit Victoria Chief Executive Brendan McClements**

*"We're proud to have helped attract Silversea to Victoria because it brings more visitors to our State and delivers millions in economic benefit."*