

ARIA Resort & Casino Revealed to the World December 16, Signifying Grand Opening of Las Vegas' CityCenter

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WHAT: On December 16, Las Vegas will celebrate the opening of a groundbreaking development five years in the making. The spectacular ARIA Resort & Casino will open its doors, marking the official grand opening of CityCenter. In addition to ARIA, the shimmering \$8.5 billion city-within-a-city includes Vdara Hotel & Spa (opened Dec. 1), Crystals retail and entertainment district (opened Dec. 3), Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas (opened Dec. 4), and 2,400 residences (occupancies begin mid-January 2010). The Harmon, a 400-room luxury hotel, is slated to open late 2010.

As guests stand on CityCenter Place, the development's grand boulevard spanning the width of New York's Park Avenue, they are instantly captivated by the energy of the city. The sheer power and ambition of CityCenter's stunning architecture, born from the imaginations of the world's foremost talents, leaves all who visit both awestruck and inspired.

CityCenter Grand Opening Press Conference - 11 a.m.; ARIA's porte cochere

For CityCenter, MGM MIRAGE sought partners with the passion and creativity to do what had never been done before in a

city with a rich tradition of breaking all the rules. For this momentous occasion, it's only fitting to unite those visionaries whose efforts have created this extraordinary development. CityCenter's inspired architects, designers, builders, sustainability experts and creative partners will join MGM MIRAGE executives to commemorate this historic moment. Rick Fedrizzi, president and CEO of the U.S. Green Building Council, will recognize CityCenter's sustainability achievements, which have set a new standard not only in Las Vegas, but worldwide.

Who: Speakers will include:

- Jim Murren, Chairman and CEO, MGM MIRAGE
- Bobby Baldwin, President and CEO, CityCenter
- Bill Grounds, Infinity World Development Corp
- Cesar Pelli, Pelli Clarke Pelli.
- Rick Fedrizzi, USGBC.

Fireworks and Public Opening - 11 p.m.

Moments before opening ARIA's doors to the public, CityCenter will host a dazzling moment of visual stimulation with a fireworks display above ARIA Resort & Casino. With the 67-acre development serving as the perfect portrait, the explosion of colors will shower a magnificent canopy over CityCenter. Public opening to follow fireworks display

WHEN: Wednesday, December 16, 2009

WHERE: ARIA Resort & Casino
3730 Las Vegas Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89109

MEDIA: Credential Requests. Media interested in covering CityCenter's opening events must request credentials by calling the media center at 702-590-1000. Credential requests will be considered only for authorized full-time salaried representatives of, or a representative who regularly and customarily performs services for, a media outlet. On-Site Satellite Services. Satellite services will be available Dec. 15-17, 2009 for crews requiring immediate feeds or for live shots.

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