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Bringing the Best of New Orleans Jazz to the River

New Orleans, LA – New Orleans Paddlewheels is excited to announce the addition of the New Orleans Spice®-Jazz Band to the nightly Dinner Jazz Cruise. One of New Orleans' finest, the New Orleans Spice performs traditional jazz, Dixieland, gospel, spirituals and Brass Band music. Tom Jacobsen of the *Mississippi Rag* writes that, "all of the participants are at the top of their games in this one." And, according to Geraldine Wyckoff of *OffBeat Magazine*, "The band takes off on classic New Orleans jazz."

Led by the talented David Hansen since 1994, the New Orleans Spice has made numerous international showings as well as local performances, including conventions, private functions and club dates around the city. For the ultimate in performing and parading New Orleans Jazz, please join the New Orleans Spice® aboard the Paddlewheeler Creole Queen's Dinner Jazz Cruise.

New Orleans Paddlewheels, Inc. operates New Orleans' most luxurious excursion vessels on the Mississippi River – the 1,000-passenger Paddlewheeler Creole Queen and the 600-passenger Riverboat Cajun Queen. New Orleans Paddlewheels offers daily and nightly cruises, as well as Holiday Cruises, Private Charters, Group Tours and Special Event Cruises. All cruises depart from the Riverwalk/Canal Street dock.

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