



FORTH PORTS PLC

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SHIP AHOY! TALL SHIPS BERTH AT OCEAN TERMINAL

Leith waterfront is to welcome some special nautical visitors during May and June when a flotilla of three tall ships berths at Ocean Terminal.

Creating a spectacular vision for visitors to the waterfront, the three ships will dock on Wednesday May 16, Friday 25 May and Thursday June 21, and members of the public will be invited on board to explore.

The Spirit of Fairbridge will dock from Wednesday May 16 to Sunday May 20 and will be open to the public from 12 noon to 3pm on Saturday May 19. It is owned by the charity Fairbridge which supports young people who are not in education, employment or training. Their 92 foot replica Victorian pilot schooner provides an opportunity for young people from different Fairbridge teams to travel and work together on national projects.

The Georg Stage is a fully rigged training ship owned by the Georg Stage Memorial Foundation which gives young people wishing to go to sea some practical seamanship on board a purpose-built ship. It will dock from Friday May 25 to Sunday May 27.

The Lord Nelson is owned by the Jubilee Sailing Trust, a charity aimed at promoting integration between able-bodied and physically disabled adults through the medium of tall ship sailing. The only purpose built tall ship in the world, the Lord Nelson has facilities on board to enable disabled crew to perform their duties independently alongside their able-bodied shipmates. It will be berthed from Thursday June 21 to Wednesday June 27.

Fay Jameson, Marketing Manager at Ocean Terminal said, "We are delighted to welcome the tall ships to Ocean Terminal as part of our strategy to create excitement and attract people down to the waterfront. This further underlines Ocean Terminal's reputation as not only a premium retail centre but as a vibrant leisure destination."

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PHOTOGRAPHY

Please contact Fay Jameson at Ocean Terminal on 0131 555 8888 to organise a photo opportunity.



NOTES TO EDITORS

1. Ocean Terminal houses half a million sq ft of shopping and leisure on three floors, 1600 free car parking spaces, over 75 stores, bars and restaurants, and a 12 screen cinema. Just 10 minutes from the City Centre, Ocean Terminal is at the very heart of the dynamic regeneration of Edinburgh's waterfront.

In addition to many of the UK's foremost high street stores, unique boutiques and a spa, the centre also boasts a superb selection of restaurants and cafés overlooking the Firth of Forth.

Not only does Ocean Terminal play host to an ever-changing programme of events and exhibitions, but it is also home to one of the country's most popular tourist attractions, The Royal Yacht Britannia.

2. Please visit www.oceanterminal.com nearer the time for opening times of the Georg Stag and Lord Nelson.

3. Please visit www.fairbridge.org.uk ; www.georgstage.dk ; www.jst.org.uk for further information about the tall ships.