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AuthentEscapes Pairs Iconic Figures and Exotic Destinations in New Luxury Travel Concept

International travel gurus Malaka and Ryan Hilton offer once in a lifetime experiences for small, exclusive groups

Sarasota, Fla. (June 10, 2009) – Luxury and adventure travel veterans Malaka and Ryan Hilton are pleased to announce the launch of AuthentEscapes, a new concept that caters to travelers seeking once in a lifetime experiences. AuthentEscapes pairs iconic figures in food, wine, sports, entertainment, and global culture with the world's most exotic destinations.

Love Italian culture? Enjoy a VIP experience at Andrea Bocelli's annual hometown concert in Tuscany, and then spend three days with Salvatore Ferragamo, grandson of the famous Italian designer, at his family villa. Fascinated with Japan? Accompany celebrity chef Roy Yamaguchi on a cultural and culinary tour of Tokyo, Hakone, and Kyoto. Enchanted with South America? Savor the beauty of Rio de Janeiro and Salvador with world-renowned chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten as he introduces you to the flavors and cultures of Brazil.

"Our long-standing relationships with top providers in the luxury, adventure and expedition travel industry allow us to create truly unique travel experiences for our guests," said Malaka Hilton, president of AuthentEscapes. "By combining the world's most beautiful places with some of its most extraordinary people, we hope to create unforgettable journeys that will live in people's memories for their entire lives."

AuthentEscapes' exclusive journeys for 2009/2010 include:

- Bocelli in Italy, hosted by Salvatore Ferragamo, July 18-26, 2009
- Inside Japan with Chef Roy Yamaguchi, Sept. 25-Oct. 4, 2009
- Journey Through the Flavors of South Africa with Bon Appétit, Oct. 5-15, 2009
- The Ancient Mysteries of Peru with Future Hall-of-Famer Shannon Sharpe, May 18-24, 2010
- Culinary Brazil with Star Chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten, Feb. 18-24, 2010

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- Epic Australia with Chef Roy Yamaguchi, April 11-17, 2010

Malaka and Ryan Hilton are known throughout the luxury travel industry for having established the boutique, Virtuoso-Member agency Admiral Travel Gallery (ATG). To date, the Hiltons have prepared and escorted travel experiences throughout the world for high profile individuals as well as groups such as St. Regis Residence Club, Starwood Vacation Ownership, *Bon Appétit*, The Churchill Centre and numerous philanthropic, culinary and cultural organizations.

Malaka has been recognized among *Travel + Leisure's* top-recommended Travel Specialists for her expertise in Egypt since 2004 and Ryan has been endorsed by readers of *Condé Nast Traveler* for his specialty in South African Safari every year since 2003. In addition to his Safari expertise, Ryan is one of the few travel specialists worldwide to be selected as an Accredited Space Agent for the Virgin Galactic suborbital flight experience.

AuthentEscapes' exclusive journeys are commissionable to travel professionals. Space on AuthentEscapes journeys is available on a limited basis and requires a deposit to secure a reservation.

To learn more, visit www.authentescapes.com or call 1-866-994-9814.

About AuthentEscapes

AuthentEscapes, a division of Florida-based Admiral Travel International Inc., is a unique travel company created to serve individuals who want to experience the world's most intriguing destinations with iconic figures in Food, Wine, Sports, Entertainment and Global Culture. AuthentEscapes serves clients from offices in Sarasota, Los Angeles, and Cairo. For more information, visit www.authentescapes.com.

Admiral Travel International Inc. also operates Admiral Travel Gallery, a retail Virtuoso-member agency with two locations in the Sarasota-Bradenton Florida area. For more information, visit www.admiraltravel.com.

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