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Hilton Worldwide Welcomes The Providence Biltmore to Curio – A Collection by Hilton

Historic New England Hotel Joins Expanding Global Collection

MCLEAN, Va.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Iconic landmark hotel, the Providence Biltmore, today joined [Curio – A Collection by Hilton](#). [Hilton Worldwide](#) today announced the anticipated addition to its growing global brand of distinctive upper upscale and luxury hotels, hand-picked for travelers who seek local discovery and authentic experiences.

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Warren and Wetmore, the same architects behind New York City's Grand Central Station. The stately building opened its doors with widespread acclaim and today is deeply woven into the city's fabric and culture, beloved by generations of guests.

"Historically significant, locally revered and a leader in authentic hospitality, the Providence Biltmore exemplifies the core values behind our Curio collection," said Dianna Vaughan, global head, Curio – A Collection by Hilton. "Without sacrificing the hotel's independent approach that has proved successful for nearly a century, Curio will enhance the Providence Biltmore experience for both the hotel owners and guests through the assurance of the Hilton name, and the benefits of our invaluable HHonors loyalty program."

A member of the Historic Hotels of America program under the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Providence Biltmore is the most architecturally significant hotel in Providence. The iconic hotel offers 294 guestrooms and suites, all with cityscape views provided by the building's striking v-shaped design. Recently renovated in 2014, rooms boast sophisticated design and modern amenities that maintain the timeless elegance of the Biltmore. The final stage of the hotel's \$13 million renovation plan will take place in early 2015 with updates to the three-story atrium lobby and function rooms, creating a fresh look while paying great respect to the essence of the historic hotel.

"We look forward to bringing our legacy of gracious hospitality and authentic character into a new era with the Curio Collection," said Todd Finard, CEO of Finard Properties, the hotel's owner and operator. "The Hilton name provides new reach and tools to continue, and even elevate, the Biltmore's long standing tradition of excellence."

Home to the city's largest spa, the Biltmore boasts an eclectic array of cross-cultural therapies including massage, facials, hair styling and nail treatment at The Spa. Dining options include McCormick & Schmick's Seafood & Steaks as well as one of the largest Starbucks in America.

Boasting an unrivalled 18,000 square feet of event space, the Biltmore is capable of accommodating any size business or leisure gathering. Each room is distinguished by cascades of natural light, unmatched panoramic city views and world-class food and beverage service. The legendary rooftop Grand Ballroom, the elegant Garden Room that was once the setting of Big Band dancing in Providence and 14 other meeting and banquet rooms, have been recognized among the most-coveted destinations in the city for weddings, social and business gatherings.

Existing reservations are intact at the Providence Biltmore, and current and future guests may immediately begin using and redeeming Hilton HHonors® points. Customers may book new reservations by visiting www.hhonors.com, www.providencebiltmore.com or calling 1-800-HILTONS. The property will be bookable on www.curiocollection.com as of December 16, 2014.

As members of the Hilton Worldwide portfolio, Curio hotels will offer guests the benefits of Hilton HHonors®, the award-winning guest-loyalty program serving more than 40 million members. Hilton HHonors offers more ways to redeem points than any other guest-loyalty program. Providence Biltmore participates in Hilton HHonors, the only hotel rewards program that offers Points & Miles® and No Blackout Dates. This new hotel is offering 1,000 Hilton HHonors points per night from December 16, 2014, to April 30, 2015 when booking the best available rate.

More information about Curio may be found at curiocollection.com. Media may access high resolution images and more information by visiting news.curiocollection.com.

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About Curio – A Collection by Hilton

Curio – A Collection by Hilton (curiocollection.com) is a global collection of distinctive hotels that are woven into the fabric of their destinations. While each one is unique, they are united in their individuality. Curio guests are passionate travelers seeking local discovery and authentic experiences, while resting easier knowing the Hilton name is behind every stay.

Curio joins a portfolio of market-leading brands from Hilton Worldwide, a leading global hospitality company. Access the latest news at news.curiocollection.com or inquire about development opportunities at hiltonworldwide.com/development.

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