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## Cunard brings comedian onboard for special cruise

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*Luxury cruise line Cunard welcomed actor, writer and producer Keegan-Michael Key on flagship ocean liner Queen Mary 2. Image credit: Chris Is on for Cunard*

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Luxury cruise line Cunard has invited comedian Keegan-Michael Key aboard one of its cruises for an intimate interaction with guests.

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The comedian and his wife joined guests aboard the Queen Mary 2 sailing from England to New York for a special cruise following the couple's wedding. Mr. Key held an exclusive question and answer event aboard the ship, discussing his career, as part of the line's Insights Program.

Cruising with comedians

Cunard's Queen Mary 2 sailed from South Hampton, England to New York on a seven-day cruise from Nov. 18 to Nov. 25.

Mr. Key was the latest to offer his participation in its Insight program, which includes talks, discussions and workshops aboard its ships with experts from a variety of industries.

The trip was a special Thanksgiving voyage.

"On behalf of Cunard, it was wonderful to welcome Keegan-Michael and Elisa Key onboard Queen Mary 2," said Josh Leibowitz, senior vice president of Cunard North America, in a statement. "A Transatlantic Crossing is a voyage where guests have the opportunity to celebrate life's best moments, and we're so happy Mr. and Mrs. Key decided to celebrate onboard Cunard.

"As an added bonus for the guests travelling on the Thanksgiving voyage, Keegan-Michael surprised guests with a Q&A while onboard," he said.

Mr. Key is known for writing and appearing in the previous Comedy Central show, "Key & Peele."



*Keegan-Michael Key (left) with wife Elisa Key (right) upon arrival in New York. Image credit: Cunard*

The next cruise within the Insights program will feature actor Alan Cummings on a voyage departing Jan. 3 on Queen Mary 2.

Cunard looks to create unique experiences on the seas and recently announced it will host a special trip to New York for ballet lovers.

In a partnership with the English National Ballet, the luxury cruiseline is providing guests with a rare opportunity to not only see a special performance but also a behind-the-scenes look at rehearsals and meet the dancers. The one-time-only trip will cruise from Southampton to New York from Aug. 11 to 18, 2019 ([see story](#)).

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