

## Speaker Stages

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# America's Favorite Travel Shows Have the Most Comprehensive Educational Content That You Can't Find Anywhere Else..

You'll be inspired to take your dream vacation. Learn how to be your own travel expert on your next vacation, from top celebrity travel personalities and leading local experts at dozens of travel workshops on 3 theaters located on the show floor.

**Check back often as speaker information is being updated daily!**

## 3 Theaters and Over 30+ Sessions

**Travel Theater:** Hear from the top travel celebrity personalities such as Josh Gates, Peter Greenberg, and Pauline Frommer as they inspire you to take your dream vacation.

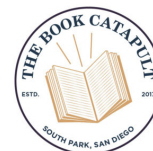
**Destination Theater:** From where to go and when to go, to what to do and how to get there, destination experts will give you the in depth information you need to travel like a local.

**Savvy Traveler Theater:** Showcasing travel tips, tricks and actionable advice, you'll learn how to travel like a pro straight from the experts. Topics include packing tips, technology skills, travel safety methods, budget travel hacks, etc.

*Speakers and schedule are subject to change without prior notice, please check back often for updates.*



Stop by the on-floor bookstore to purchase books from your favorite travel authors here at the show.



Saturday, January 19

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**10:30 am – 11:30 am**

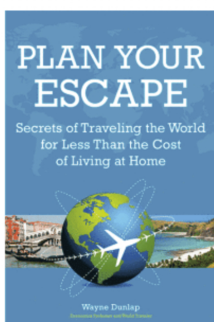
### Travel Theater

**How to Travel for Half the Cost for All Levels of Travel and Where to Find Amazing Travel Deals in 2019**

**Wayne Dunlap, Author *Plan Your Escape®* and TripAdvisor Top 25 Travel Blogger**

From a former Economics professor, experienced traveler (100 countries & 46 U.S. States), *TripAdvisor* Top 25 Travel Blogger with over 203,000 social media followers, and author of the 5-star rated travel book "*Plan Your Escape®*", Wayne Dunlap gives first-hand insights of incredible easy-to-use strategies to help you travel for less than *half the cost for all levels of travel* from luxury to budget. You will learn where the bargains are, the best time to travel, how to make money while you travel, actual bargain trip ideas all over the world you could book today, and secrets to find amazing bargains on airfare, hotels, tours, cruises, *and more*. Learn how to save \$1,000's on travel – *You can't afford to miss this presentation!*

**Autograph Signing Immediately Following**





**10:45 am – 11:30 am**  
**Savvy Traveler Theater**

**99 Ways to Cut Your Travel Costs – Without Skimping**

Russell Hannon, *Ultra-Economical Travel Expert*, *Break the Travel Barrier*

Known for wowing TV and radio audiences with untold budget travel tips, Ultra-Economical Travel Expert Russell Hannon from [breakthetravelbarrier.com](http://breakthetravelbarrier.com) offers 99 ways to quickly and easily find the best and least expensive travel options for you. No matter what your travel type is, or where you want to go, you will leave with dozens of practical tips and tricks you can put to work right away to save.



**Taiwan**  
THE HEART OF ASIA

**11:00 am – 11:30 am**  
**Destination Theater**

**Time for Taiwan 101**

Taiwan Tourism Bureau

Travel specialists will share all the essentials about traveling to Taiwan. If you are interested in visiting this fascinating island that is a food paradise, nature wonderland, and a world-class cycling destination, make sure to stop by for Taiwan flight and tour specials!



**11:45 am – 12:15 pm**  
**Destination Theater**

**Discover the Best of the Caribbean with MSC Cruises**

Rosalie De Los Hoyos, *Business Development*, *MSC Cruises*

Want to know what the highest rated excursions and the most amazing islands are in the Caribbean? Come learn about the steepest zip line in St Maarten, 1950s car tours in Havana, rainforest tours in Puerto Rico and much more. You'll discover how you can enjoy 4 different Caribbean islands in a week on an MSC cruise.



Come see why MSC Cruises has the world's most beautiful ships and the most exciting itineraries to experience the best destinations in the Caribbean and around the world.



**12 Noon – 12:45 pm**  
**Savvy Traveler Theater**

**Travel Trade Secrets to Travel Like The Experts Do**

Johnny Jet, *Editor-In-Chief*, *JohnnyJet.com*

Join me to learn how to maximize your rewards and credit cards points coupled with savvy travel tips, apps and web sites to travel smarter, cheaper and more comfortably.





**12:30 pm – 1:30 pm**

### **Travel Theater**

#### **Embracing the Unknown**

**Josh Gates, Host, Executive Producer of Discovery Channel's Expedition Unknown**

Explorer Josh Gates is the host and executive producer of Discovery Channel's hit series *Expedition Unknown*. Armed with a deep-rooted passion for adventure, Josh travels around the world and off the map to find the truth behind iconic legends and thrilling archaeological mysteries. Join Josh in-person for an exclusive talk about his most daring expeditions and close calls as well as real-world advice on how to make your next vacation the adventure of a lifetime. Whether you're looking to climb a mountain or kick back on an all-inclusive cruise, Josh shares practical tips from his travels to help shift your next vacation into another gear.

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**12:45 pm – 1:15 pm**

### **Destination Theater**

#### **Alaska Myth Busting: Uncover the Truth About an Alaska Vacation**

**David Kasser, VP of Tourism Development and Sales, Visit Anchorage**

Local experts from Anchorage, Alaska bust popular myths and legends of Alaska while highlighting the hidden gems and can't-miss experiences in Anchorage and Southcentral Alaska. Come learn what your Alaska adventure will be.



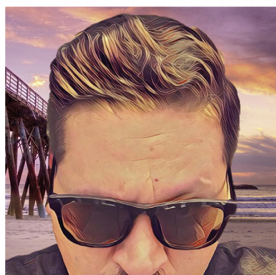
**1:15 pm – 2:00 pm**

### **Savvy Traveler Theater**

#### **The Ultimate Packing & Travel Tips for the Best Trip of Your Life**

**Angel Castellanos, World Traveler, Travel Expert, Writer, [AngelsTravelLounge.com](http://AngelsTravelLounge.com)**

Make your next trip, the next best trip of your life and "Travel Like a Pro"! Angel Castellanos, The Travel Ambassador, delivers his popular and energetic talk on packing tips & savvy travel skills drawing from his experience as a full time professional traveler. This highly informative presentation is packed with the most up to date savvy travel tips and inspirational stories from all over the world to help travelers travel smarter, better and cheaper. Angel will deliver the best travel tips on packing smart, safety, de-stressing the airport experience, saving money, sightseeing hacks, traveling with technology and much more! No matter your level of experience, you are bound to come away with practical current travel tips. The packing demonstration included in this talk is one you do not want to miss. Packing in a carry on? After this presentation, packing in any bag will not be a problem! Join us for this insightful and dynamic presentation. Travel smart, well and often! [www.AngelsTravelLounge.com](http://www.AngelsTravelLounge.com)



**1:45 pm – 2:15 pm**

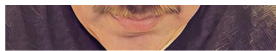
### **Destination Theater**

#### **Baja Norte, Discover, Explore and Make it Yours**

**Jorge Meraz, Host/Director, Crossing South**

Join us for an informative session highlighting the "must see" wonderful and interesting activities the state of Baja California has to offer that you won't want to miss on your next vacation.





2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

### Travel Theater

Beating the Airlines, Hotels and Cruise Lines at Their Own Game, Playing by Their Rules.

Peter Greenberg, *Emmy Award-Winning Investigative Reporter and Producer and CBS News Travel Editor*

How to be a true road warrior at the hottest destinations for 2019.

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2:15 pm – 3:00 pm

### Savvy Traveler Theater

How to Take Travel Photographs Everyone Wants To See!

Ralph Velasco, *CEO (Chief Experience Officer), PhotoEnrichment*

If you're looking to create inspiring photographs that everyone will want to see, then join professional travel photographer and international tour leader Ralph Velasco for this information-packed session.

Learn about the importance of anticipation and timing, approaching and positioning your subject, working with a theme, visual storytelling and so much more. Finally, you'll learn Ralph's Number One Photo Tip that is guaranteed to take your photography from ho-hum to Holy Cow! And anyone can put it into practice. Now, let's get out and shoot!



2:30 pm – 3:00 pm

### Destination Theater

Adventures in Wildlife Photography

Brendon Cremer and Wim van den Heever, *International Wildlife and Landscape Photographers, Tusk Photo*

Exploring wildlife adventures and new horizons with camera in hand, from Africa to the Arctic poles and everything in between. Tusk Photo leads specialized photo tours to many destinations around the world, including Southern and East Africa as well as Antarctic, Arctic, Japan, Falkland Islands, South Georgia and South America (Pantanal). In this presentation we'll cover some of the highlights of these destination, discussing what makes them amazing destinations for photography and what can be expected from a Tusk Photo Tour.







THE ISLANDS of  
**TAHITI**

**3:15 pm – 3:45 pm**

### Destination Theater

#### *The Islands of Tahiti: Paradise on Earth*

Kristin Carlson, *Managing Director, Tahiti Tourisme US*

With so many options, you can do as much or as little as you like. *The Islands of Tahiti*, officially known as French Polynesia, possesses one of the most spectacularly beautiful and diverse environments on earth. A mixture of high volcanic islands and low-lying atolls, these specks of land – 118 islands in all – are strewn across four million square km of the South Pacific. Clustered into five archipelagos: The Society Islands, the Tuamotu Islands, the Gambier Islands, the Marquesas Islands and the Austral Islands, *The Islands of Tahiti* have in common a delightful blend of Polynesian and French cultures, and a consistently tropical climate. Come hear what sets this destination apart and learn how you will be “Embraced by Mana.”



**3:15 pm – 4:00 pm**

### Savvy Traveler Theater

#### The World's Most Technologically Advanced Cruise Ships

Gail Strickland CTE, CTC, *Emmy Award Winning Show Host and Producer "The Traveling Girls"*

##### Panelists:

Vincent Trotter, *National Account Manager, Royal Caribbean International;*

Alexandra Shapiro, *Market Sales Manager / San Diego, Las Vegas, Hawaii, Celebrity Cruises*

Edith Beaudoin, CTC, *North America Sales Director, Aurora Expeditions*

Cynthia Dial, *Award-Winning Writer and Author*

Sherryl Maxwell, CTC, *Owner Travel Leaders/Rancho Travel*

The world's hottest new cruise ships boast innovative hi-tech' designs. Robust, powerful and built on the cutting edge of 3D nautical technology. These new ships feature robot bartenders, a skypod rising 300 feet above the ship and a 90-ton platform that allows guests to fly on a magic carpet. The world's most innovative cruise ships continue to push the boundaries of what's possible.



**Attend for a Chance to Win Amazing Travel Prizes!**



Celebrity **X** Cruises®



 **aurora**  
expeditions



**3:30 pm – 4:30 pm**

### **Travel Theater**

**Spend Less, See More: Strategies for Creating Dream Vacations in ALL Price Ranges**

Pauline Frommer, *Editorial Director of the Frommer's Guides and Publisher of [Frommers.com](http://Frommers.com)*

Accommodations, airfares, tours, car rentals, cruises—the truth is there are no set prices for any of these items. Pauline Frommer will give you the tools you need to work the system smartly, creating value-laden holidays, whether you're a backpacker or a luxury-seeker. Specific tips and tricks for all those categories will be shared. Plus she'll introduce destinations that you may not have considered visiting, but should.

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**Frommer's®**



**4:15 pm – 4:45 pm**



## Destination Theater

### Vintage Luxury Barge Cruising in France

*Kim Dickey, Sales and Marketing for French Canal Boat Company*

Introduction to barge cruising... specifically to our own barge in Burgundy. Highlights will cover why barge cruising is becoming increasingly popular and how the barge, crew, itinerary, region, food and wine all combine together for a truly unforgettable vacation experience.

