

## New Orleans Saints Players Cameron Jordan And Mark Ingram Showcase Their Talents During Fun 'Lip Sync Battle' For Charity Aboard Carnival Dream

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## Players Competed for \$15,000 in Charitable Donations During Rousing Shipboard Version of Popular SpikeTV Show

MIAMI, June 12, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- New Orleans Saints players Cameron Jordan and Mark Ingram channeled their inner rock stars as they participated in the first-ever "Lip Sync Battle" for charity to a packed house yesterday aboard Carnival Dream while the ship was docked at the Port of New Orleans.

Carnival is the Official Cruise Line of the New Orleans Saints and New Orleans' largest cruise operator with two year-round ships carrying more than 450,000 passengers annually – the most of any cruise line.

The fun competition mirrored *Lip Sync Battle Carnival*, an authentic recreation of SpikeTV's pop culture phenomenon that is currently being rolled out across the fleet. During *Lip Sync Battle Carnival* contestants face off in a head-to-head competition to create the most unforgettable lip sync performances to popular songs amidst a backdrop of the show's recognizable marquee.

Ingram had a chance to live out his rock star fantasy performing the 1980s anthem "Here I Go Again" by Whitesnake with colorful and iconic costumes and props inspired by the hair bands of that era.

Jordan also brought the house down with his unique interpretation of Usher's "Yeah!" decked out in a metallic silver jacket with precision choreography from his team of talented backup dancers from the Carnival Dream's Playlist Productions show.

Although the audience vote was close, in the end it was Jordan who took home the coveted *Lip Sync Battle Carnival* belt and earned a \$10,000 donation for United Way. Ingram was also a winner, collecting a \$5,000 donation to the Mark Ingram Foundation.

"Today's event was a great way to partner with the New Orleans Saints to showcase this fantastic new entertainment choice while also raising money for two worthwhile local charities," said Christine Duffy, president of Carnival Cruise Line. "Mark and Cameron were certainly good sports in every sense of the word and many thanks to them for their efforts to help the New Orleans community," she added.

"Today's event was so much fun," said Jordan. "I am a big fan of Lip Sync Battle and when I got the chance to participate and support United Way, a charity that is close to my heart, I couldn't pass up the opportunity."

"It was really great to get a first-hand look at what other celebrities experience while performing on Lip Sync Battle," added Ingram. "I am grateful for all those that supported Team Ingram and had a lot of fun on board Carnival with my friend Cam Jordan," he added.

Lip Sync Battle Carnival debuted on Carnival Vista last December. In addition to Carnival Dream, the unique shipboard activity is currently featured on Carnival Freedom, Carnival Breeze and Carnival Sunshine with additional ships being rolled out in 2017.

Lip Sync Battle Carnival further expands on the already wide range of entertainment options onboard which includes <u>Carnival Live</u>, Playlist Productions. The Punchliner Comedy Club and Hasbro. The Game Show.

To check out a welcome video by "Lip Sync Battle" hosts and more information on the program, visit https://www.carnival.com/lip-sync-battle.

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