

Press Release

New Hotel

WORLDHOTELS welcomes new City Inn hotel in Leeds

Frankfurt, July 15, 2009 - City Inn, WORLDHOTELS new independent hotel partner, will open the latest City Inn in Leeds on July 20, 2009. The privately-owned chain, which is one of the leading entrepreneurial hotel brands in the UK, will unveil the 13-storey, state-of-the-art new build in the heart of the city centre after two years of construction.

The 333 room hotel is the centrepiece in the redevelopment of the historic canal-side destination at Granary Wharf. Flanked by two unique high quality apartment buildings, the landmark hotel was designed by renowned architects Allies and Morrison and meets the latest standards of environmental efficiency. Overlooking the River Aire and the Leeds Liverpool Canal, City Inn Leeds is just a short walk from the city's main railway station.

All rooms provide an excellent guest experience with 'fresh' air conditioning, floor to ceiling 'openable' windows for great views of the city, multimedia iMac for work and entertainment and free wi-fi. One of the outstanding attractions of City Inn Leeds will be the stunning panoramic destination SkyLounge complete with 360 degree views providing the highest 'look-out' over the city and opening up the views of the famous Italianate Tower Works. In addition, City Inn Leeds boasts an impressive Granary Lounge bar providing scenic views over the dock and the canal, along with wonderful al fresco dining opportunities at its City Café restaurant.

Chief Executive and Co-Founder David Orr said: "We believe in creating special urban spaces for locals and guests. Leeds has great cultural heritage and civic urbanity and we believe that our hotel with its destination bars and restaurant will make many more people aware of this great area, a hidden gem right in the middle of the city." In line with the consistent commitment and support to arts and culture across the UK, City Inn will showcase contemporary art in its new

Leeds hotel and will encourage relationships with local performing arts organisations.

The group recently selected WORLDHOTELS, one of the leading groups for independent hotels and regional brands, as its strategic partner for global sales, marketing and distribution. City Inn has hotels in Bristol, Birmingham, Glasgow, Manchester and Westminster, with two more (Amsterdam and the Tower of London) planned for opening in 2011.

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About WORLDHOTELS:

- WORLDHOTELS is an exclusive collection of the world's most unique independent hotels. Under the banner "Unique Hotels for Unique People", it now has almost 500 affiliate properties in more than 300 destinations and 70 countries worldwide.
- For nearly 40 years, the company's mission has been to offer business and leisure travellers easy access to a wide range of accommodation options with a strong emphasis on hotels of character and distinction.
- WORLDHOTELS' guests benefit from an extensive portfolio of partnerships, including frequent flyer programmes from 20 of the world's leading international airlines, including Air France/KLM, United Airlines, Cathay Pacific and Lufthansa.
- Through state-of-the-art distribution and technology and global marketing campaigns, WORLDHOTELS gives independent hotels the collective strength of a strong, global hotel brand whilst still allowing them to retain their strong individual character and unique identity.

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