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ASOLO REPERTORY THEATRE HOSTED ITS SHOW BOAT MAIDEN MEDIA VOYAGE PRESS CONFERENCE ON BOARD THE MARINA JACK II YACHT ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2013.

- WHAT: On Friday, October 25, 2013, Asolo Repertory Theatre hosted its SHOW BOAT maiden media voyage press conference on board the Marina Jack II yacht. As members of the press and other guests enjoyed stunning views of Sarasota Bay, they were treated to a special performance of "Ol' Man River," featuring the show's music director Wade Russo, as well as actors Michael James Leslie, as Joe, and Johnathan Shepherd, Daniel Belnavis and Nicholas Ward. Rob Ruggiero, director of SHOW BOAT, Noah Racey, choreographer, and Wade Russo provided guests with a behind-the-scenes look at the creation of SHOW BOAT. Michael Donald Edwards, Asolo Rep's Producing Artistic Director, steered the voyage, and discussed the second year of the theatre's American Character Project.
- WHEN: Friday, October 25, 2013 from 9:30am 11am.
- WHERE: Marina Jack II yacht Marina Jack 2 Marina Plaza Sarasota, FL 34236
- **WHO:** The cast and creative team of **SHOW BOAT**, as well as Asolo Rep's Producing Artistic Director Michael Donald Edwards.
- HOW:If you missed the boat, visit www.asolorep.smugmug.comand view the SHOWBOAT press conference gallery password: Marina

To view ABC 7's news story on the press conference, visit <u>http://www.mysuncoast.com/videos/local_news/asolo-repertory-theatre-opens-</u> season-with-showboat/html 12b65f27-e402-514a-98d4-c6e55989f88d.html