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CITYZEN RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS AAA FIVE DIAMOND AWARD FOR EIGHTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Hong Kong, 16 August 2013 – [CityZen](#), the acclaimed signature restaurant at [Mandarin Oriental, Washington D.C.](#), has been awarded the coveted American Automobile Association's (AAA) Five Diamond Award for 2014. Currently, the restaurant is the only establishment to have earned the prestigious accolade in Washington, DC.

“This level of recognition is truly appreciated, and we are thrilled to be, once again, recognized by AAA with this distinction for 2014,” said Executive Chef Eric Ziebold. “We strive to provide an exceptional dining experience for our patrons, so to have AAA reward us for our efforts, it is a great accomplishment that is shared equally among all out team members. We are honored to be categorized amongst an exclusive group of acclaimed restaurants.”

The AAA Five Diamond Award is given to selected restaurants that demonstrate the highest level of excellence in every aspect of operation. To be considered for the AAA rating, restaurants must undergo a thorough inspection by one of AAA's full-time, trained, professional evaluators. AAA Diamond ratings reflect the overall food, service, décor and ambiance offered by the establishment. Of the 29,000 restaurants reviewed by AAA in the United States, fewer than one-quarter percent of establishments have achieved the prestigious Five Diamond distinction.

About CityZen

Since opening in September 2004, CityZen has delighted guests with its modern American cuisine, under the guidance of critically acclaimed Executive Chef Eric Ziebold. Offering three menu offerings including, a four-course menu for \$90, a six-course vegetarian tasting menu offered at \$110, and a six-course chef's tasting menu priced at \$120, the culinary experience at CityZen features an updated interpretation of culinary traditions, presented with a modern flair. CityZen is open for dinner Tuesday through Thursday, 6 – 9:30 p.m. and on Friday and Saturday, 5:30 – 9:30 p.m. The bar is open

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Tuesday through Thursday, 6 – 11 p.m. and on Friday and Saturday from 5:30 – 11:30 p.m. For reservations, information, or inquiries about private dinners in CityZen, please call (202) 787-6140 or visit www.cityzenrestaurant.com.

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About Mandarin Oriental, Washington D.C.

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