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CELEBRATE CHERRY BLOSSOM SEASON YEAR-ROUND AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL, WASHINGTON DC

Meeting attendees will now enjoy a one-of-a-kind fine-art display in the hotel's Gallery

Hong Kong, 10 September 2015 – Cherry Blossoms are now in full-bloom year-round at Mandarin Oriental, Washington DC with the installation of the *TIMELESS Cherry Blossom Collection* by Ron Blunt. The exclusive fine-art collection is now on permanent display in the hotel's Gallery, offering the perfect backdrop for small events in the charming space.

"We are honored to display this pristine collection at our hotel," says Adriaan Radder, Mandarin Oriental, Washington DC General Manager. "The collection reflects our hotel's sense of place in the beautiful and historical city of Washington, D.C. and we couldn't be more delighted to provide this unique exhibition to our guests."

Equipped with a private elevator, a wall of windows, and a large flagstone patio overlooking the Jefferson Memorial and the city's famed Cherry Blossom trees, the Gallery is the ideal location to host an <u>intimate event or meeting</u>. The room features an abundance of natural light, an exclusive outdoor terrace, unparalleled views and privacy for the many events which take place there including weddings, corporate meetings, business conferences and special events.

TIMELESS Collection captures the undeniable beauty of the ephemeral Cherry Blossoms in full-bloom. These one-of-a-kind images are presented in a variety of surfaces including wood, metal, paper, acrylic and linen. To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the gifted trees from Tokyo, Blunt created the TIMELESS Collection and was recognized as an Official Art Event of National Cherry Blossom Festival Centennial Celebration 2012. In a continued celebration of the centennial anniversary, National Geographic published CHERRY BLOSSOMS: The Official Book of the National Cherry Blossom Festival featuring Blunt's photography.

To plan an event in the Gallery, guests can contact the Sales Department at (202) 787 6061 or mowas-sales@mohg.com. Interested guests in viewing the collection may contact the Front Desk to arrange a tour; based on availability.



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About Mandarin Oriental, Washington DC

Mandarin Oriental, Washington DC offers an ideal location on the southwest waterfront providing picturesque views of the Jefferson Memorial, Washington Monument, Tidal Basin and Washington Marina in addition to being within walking distance of the nation's most cherished monuments and the city's famed cherry blossom trees. The elegant retreat exudes a refined sense of style with beautifully designed rooms, spacious suites including the luxurious three-bedroom Presidential Suite, The Forbes Four-Star Spa, legendary service and exceptional restaurants. Stay connected with Mandarin Oriental, Washington DC on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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