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### **Media Release**

#### **John Cupid Carnival Village Welcomes Scores of Cruise Ship Visitors**

The Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts continues to encourage persons to support the National Carnival Commission's John Cupid Carnival Village at the Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain.

On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, scores of cruise ship visitors, including passengers from the Royal Caribbean International's Jewel of the Seas cruise ship, toured the Carnival Village and immersed themselves in the exciting Trinbagonian culture.

The tourists were taught to play the steelpan and learnt about the history of the national instrument and its role in the Carnival celebrations. They also engaged in interactive educational activities at the TTL booth and won local memorabilia as prizes. This experience was part of pre-packaged tours to key tourist attractions that included a city tour, the Maracas waterfalls, Maracas Beach, Mt St Benedict, the Caroni River and Paramin.

The John Cupid Carnival Village is an integral part of strategic efforts to promote Trinidad and Tobago's culture while simultaneously providing economic opportunities for local practitioners and entrepreneurs.

Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts, Senator the Honourable Randall Mitchell notes that "the John Cupid Village is an investment in our people and our culture. It is a space where people can unwind, revel in the best of Carnival, cuisine and arts and truly appreciate the richness our culture."

The Village is carded to run until February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and is opened to the public between the hours of 10AM and 10PM.

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