



DOCKSIDE GROUP

VENUES AND RESTAURANTS
WITH A DIFFERENCE

Dockside Group Appoints New Director of Sales and Events

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Dockside Group has appointed international hospitality professional, Mike Sarino, to the newly created position of Director of Sales and Events.

With more than 20 years' experience in the hospitality and tourism industries, Mike joins Dockside Group to lead the sales team as it embarks on a series of exciting new projects set to further enhance Sydney's thriving meetings and events industry.

Having spent 13 years leading sales, marketing, conference and events teams for luxury hotel brand Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts and more recently as Director of Sales and Marketing at Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, he brings with him a wealth of valuable knowledge, industry relationships and sales strategy experience.

Managing Director of Dockside Group, Christopher Drivas, said he is delighted to have a team member of Mike's calibre on hand to lead Dockside Group's sales effort into the next realm.

"Mike brings an exceptional level of expertise to the position from across all areas of the business, not just in sales and marketing but also an operational perspective.

"The timing is ideal as we significantly expand our operations to include our new venue, Dockside Pavilion Darling Harbour, as well as our recent appointment as the exclusive caterer for the new Sydney Convention Centre @ Glebe Island.

"His appointment will add value to assist us in achieving our evolving business goals and I have absolute confidence he will be fundamental in the business' future success," said Mr Drivas.

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ABOUT DOCKSIDE GROUP

Brothers Christopher, Theodore, Peter Drivas and business partner Robert Van Meer combined their hospitality, wedding and business expertise to form Dockside Group. The close-knit family business now owns and operates three integrated venues and four restaurants all situated in iconic Sydney Harbour foreshore locations.

Venues

L'Aqua: Situated on the rooftop of the Cockle Bay Wharf complex, L'Aqua is one of Sydney's most prestigious five-star function venues. Quintessentially Sydney, L'Aqua caters for up to 600 guests, and offers uninterrupted views over Cockle Bay and Darling Harbour and an abundance of natural light through its floor to ceiling windows.

Dockside: With sparkling water views stretching over Darling Harbour, Dockside blends function and space with a reputation for culinary excellence and exceptional service. Greatly renowned for holding successful events, and with more than a decade of experience, Dockside's strength lies in catering for groups up to 1200 people.

Star room: Guests of Star room enjoy a bird's eye perspective from level 6 of the IMAX theatre complex. With a soaring ceiling and panoramic windows stretching over 30 metres in length, Star room is a truly unique Sydney venue catering for up to 300 people.

Restaurants of Dockside Group include:

Waterfront; 27 Circular Quay West, The Rocks, Sydney NSW 2000

Wolfies; 7 – 21 Circular Quay West, The Rocks, Sydney NSW 2000

Italian Village; 7 Circular Quay West, The Rocks, Sydney NSW 2000

Major events for up to 3000 people can be hosted across all three restaurants.

EAT LOVE PIZZA: Ground Floor, IMAX Theatre Complex, [31 Wheat Road, Darling Harbour, Sydney NSW 2000](#)

NOTES TO EDITORS

Interviews with Christopher Drivas, Managing Director and Beverley Parker, Executive Director of Sales & Marketing are available on request.

More information on Dockside Group is available at www.docksidegroup.com.au