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**KRISTYN BRINKER JOINS CHARLESTON PLACE  
AS NATIONAL SALES MANAGER**



**NEW YORK, NY (May 9, 2012)** – [Charleston Place Hotel](#), located in the heart of Charleston’s historic district, appoints Kristyn Brinker as National Sales Manager. In her new role at the iconic 435-room Orient-Express property, Brinker will oversee group sales originating from South Carolina and the Washington, D.C. area. Ideal for groups of all sizes, Charleston Place features the award-winning Charleston Grill; Palmetto Café; The Thoroughbred Club; The Spa; more than 30,000 square feet banquet, conference and seminar services; and the Riviera Theater.

No stranger to the luxury hospitality industry or the diverse tourism products in South Carolina, Brinker was most recently the Director of Mid-Atlantic Sales at Kiawah Island Golf Resort, where she achieved impressive monthly revenue and room night goals. Her expertise in regional markets also includes her sales role at Hilton Head Marriott Resort & Spa, where she focused on the South Carolina, North Carolina and Mid-Atlantic markets. Brinker complements the Charleston Place team with an extensive hotel operations background, including front desk and catering.

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**About Charleston Place**

Consistently ranked among the best hotels in the world by the readers of Condé Nast Traveler and Travel + Leisure magazines, Charleston Place evokes the feeling of a grand, 17th century residence, from its lush personal suites to the Italian marble lobby with its signature Georgian Open Arm staircase and 12-foot crystal chandelier. The staff of Charleston Place is dedicated to indulging its guests with the finest in Southern hospitality, and has become the choice of celebrities, princes and politicians, including Richard Gere, Prince Charles, Mel Gibson, Oprah Winfrey and Barbara Streisand, to name a few. Guests can enjoy the hotel's full service European-style spa and horizon-edge swimming pool with retractable glass roof. Charleston Place is centrally located, surrounded by historic homes and buildings, and within strolling distance of the city's delightful shops, galleries and restaurants. To book, please call 800-383-2335, or for more information, visit [www.charlestonplace.com](http://www.charlestonplace.com).

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