



OPENING OF W OSAKA SEES MUCH-ANTICIPATED ARRIVAL OF MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL'S BOLD, HIGH-ENERGY BRAND IN JAPAN

New/next W Osaka ready to steal the hospitality scene with provocative design, fresh music and fashion-forward focus

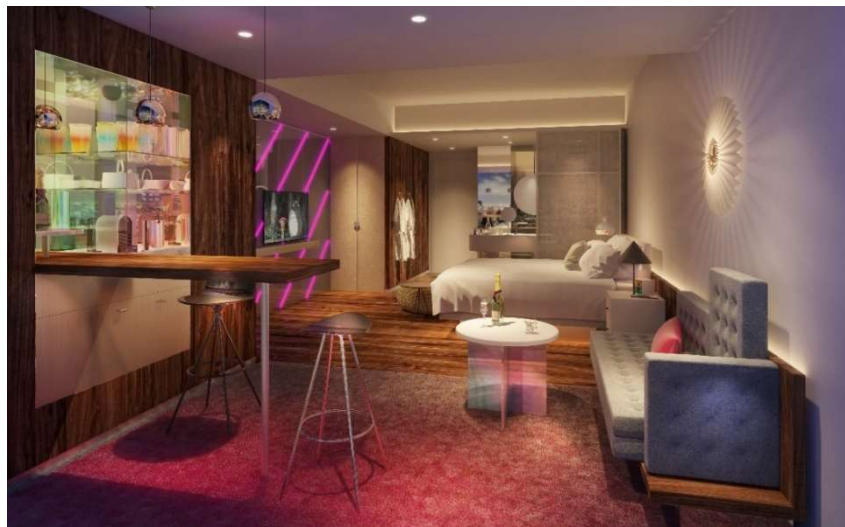
Osaka, JAPAN – NOVEMBER 18, 2020 – Marriott International, Inc. (NASDAQ: MAR) today announced the upcoming opening of W Osaka, slated for March 16th, 2021. This will mark the debut of Marriott's boldly original lifestyle hotel brand, geared towards the next generation of travelers in Japan. Owned by Japan's premier property company Sekisui House, the hotel is located in the heart of Osaka, giving guests easy access to the city's main shopping, dining and entertainment districts. Nearby, guests will find some of Osaka's most popular visitor destinations including Universal Studios Japan, Osaka Castle and Dotonbori, Osaka's answer to Broadway with its theaters, jazz clubs and bright neon lights. The hotel is located approximately 17 kilometers from Osaka International Airport and 49 kilometers from Kansai International Airport.

"We are very excited to mark the debut of our W brand in Japan with the opening of W Osaka," said [name, designation], Marriott International. "W Hotels brings its own brand of bold, unmistakable energy to a city, connecting guests and giving them backstage access to its music, fashion and design scenes. We look forward to tapping into the vibrant spirit of Osaka, empowering our guests to live it up and soak it all in whenever they visit this amazing destination."



W Osaka asserts its presence in the city's busy urban streetscape with a black monolith facade designed by Osaka-born architect Tadao Ando. The hotel's minimalist exterior belies the exuberance of its interiors, conceptualized by Concrete Architectural Associates of Holland, designers of the extraordinarily chic W London and W Verbier. The overall design narrative of W Osaka is based on the theme of 'Osaka Merchants At Play'. The building is the architectural expression of a modest, reserved public exterior and an extravagant, playfully sophisticated private lifestyle.

The hotel's 337 guestrooms and suites reflect the iconic W style, with bright spaces, clean lines and bold color schemes inspired by Osaka's neon-lit nighttime streetscapes. Floor-to-ceiling windows with stunning views overlooking the city, spacious bathrooms with rain showers and luxe amenities let guests kick back and relax upon arrival. W Osaka's 200 square meter 'Extreme WOW' penthouse suite has a 4.5 meter high ceiling and includes individual areas for relaxation and play with a separate living room, dining room, bedroom and garden room. The brand's signature Whatever/Whenever® service aims to deliver whatever guests request at any time, complete with in-room telephones featuring a Whatever/Whenever button.



W Osaka lets guests stay connected with a meet-and-mingle lobby featuring an entertainment stage complete with a microphone for standup comedy. The lobby bar offers W signature cocktails to sip on while the hotel's resident DJ spins tracks in the DJ booth. For guests to fuel up and keep the fun going longer, the hotel will also feature an all-day dining patisserie helmed by Michelin-star chefs. A fitness center, swimming pool and spa lets guests detox and recharge before they hit repeat on the fun. For stylishly original social or business events, W Osaka also offers highly customizable function rooms and meeting spaces.



"Osaka is one of Japan's must-visit destinations, offering travelers a great mix of history, culture, cuisine and entertainment," said Go Kondo, General Manager, W Osaka. "With our provocative design, music programming and fashion inspirations, we look forward to welcoming guests to W Osaka, empowering them to get behind the scenes and discover our city from uniquely fresh perspectives."

For more information or reservations, please visit [here](#)

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About W Hotels Worldwide

Born from the bold attitude and 24/7 culture of New York City, W Hotels, part of Marriott International, Inc., has disrupted and redefined the hospitality scene for over two decades. Trailblazing its way around the globe, with more than 55 hotels, W is defying expectations and breaking the norms of traditional luxury wherever the iconic W sign lands. With a mission to fuel guests' lust for life, W ignites an obsessive desire to soak it in, live it up and hit repeat. The brand's provocative design, iconic Whatever/Whenever service and buzzing Living Rooms create an experience that is often copied but never matched. Innovative, inspiring and infectious, the brand's super-charged energy celebrates guests' endless appetite to discover what's new/next in each destination, to see more, feel more, go longer, stay later. For more information on W Hotels, visit whotels.com/theangle or follow us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook. W Hotels Worldwide is proud to participate in Marriott International's highly-awarded travel program, Marriott Bonvoy. The program offers members an extraordinary portfolio of global brands, experiences on Marriott Bonvoy Moments and unparalleled benefits including earning points toward free hotel stays and nights toward Elite status recognition. To enroll for free or for more information about the program, visit MarriottBonvoy.marriott.com.

About Sekisui House

Founded in 1960, Sekisui House, Ltd. Is one of world's largest homebuilders and an international diversified developer, with cumulative sales of over 2 Million homes. Based in Osaka, Sekisui House has over two-hundred consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates, over twenty-thousand employees and is listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Nagoya Stock Exchange.

Sekisui House aims to create homes and communities that improve with time and last for generations. With "Love of Humanity" as its Corporate Philosophy, Sekisui House believes that homes should offer comfort, security and peace of mind for residents, while maintaining harmony with the environment and its surroundings. Sekisui House has sustainability as a core corporate target and is now the global leader in the construction of net-zero-energy homes with more than fifty-thousands of them built since the product was launched in 2013. In 2009, Sekisui House expanded into several new international markets and now operates in the United States, China, Singapore, Australia and the United Kingdom.

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