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### **Postal Service Provides Sneak Peek of Bob Hope Stamp**

- What:** Preview of the Bob Hope First-Class Commemorative stamp as part of ceremonies to rename the Ellis Island Research Library to the Bob Hope Memorial Library. The stamp will be issued next Spring.
- Who:** Linda Hope, Bob Hope's daughter  
Fred Schnettler, Berlin Airlift veteran who witnessed Hope's first Christmas Show 60years ago  
Eliot L. Engel, U.S. Representative (D-NY)  
Katherine C. Tobin, member, U.S. Postal Service Board of Governors  
Cynthia R. Garrett, superintendent of the Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island  
Norman Liss, Chairman, Ellis Island Development Committee, Ellis Island Restoration Commission
- When:** Media need to call NO LATER THAN 9 a.m., Mon., Nov. 24, to reserve space on the boat. Check-in is at 10 a.m. for the Mon., Nov 24, 2008 11 a.m. ceremony.
- Where:** Main Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Ellis Island  
Media need to check-in for ferry to Ellis Island at 10 a.m. at the U.S. Coast Guard station, just west of the Staten Island Ferry Terminal in Battery Park at State Street. Media may also enter Ellis Island via bridge from Liberty State Park in Jersey City. Media must contact Mindi Rambo of the National Park Service at 646-341-2825.
- Background:** Bob Hope (1903-2003) enjoyed a lifetime of success on stage and in radio, television and film. He moved to America from England in 1908 and quickly exhibited a natural talent for making people laugh. Hope traveled around the globe performing for U.S. troops and hosted numerous highly rated TV specials. He died at his home in Toluca Lake, CA, on July 27, 2003, two months after his 100th birthday.

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