



JOIN GTCYS' SYMPHONY ON AN EXCITING INTERNATIONAL CONCERT TOUR TO GERMANY, POLAND & HUNGARY.

BEGIN THE TOUR IN BERLIN WHERE YOU SEE THE BRANDENBURG GATE, CHECKPOINT CHARLIE, REMNANTS OF THE BERLIN WALL AND THE REICHSTAG. ATTEND A CONCERT BY THE BERLIN PHILHARMONIC.

JOURNEY INTO POLAND. VISIT WROCLAW, KRAKOW, LUSTAWICE, THE PENDERECKI CENTER FOR MUSIC, WIELICZKA AND AUSCHWITZ-BIRKENAU CONCENTRATION CAMPS.

TRAVEL TO ZAKOPANE, A VILLAGE NESTLED IN THE HIGH TATRA MOUNTAINS ON THE BORDER OF POLAND AND SLOVAKIA.

CONCLUDE THE TOUR IN BUDAPEST, HUNGARY; SITUATED ON THE BANKS OF THE DANUBE RIVER. JOIN GTCYS' SYMPHONY ON THE CONCERT TOUR OF A LIFETIME!

GREATER TWIN CITIES YOUTH SYMPHONIES ON THE ROUTE OF KINGS AND EMPERORS

Mark Russell Smith, Artistic Director & Symphony Conductor
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**BERLIN | WROCLAW | KRAKOW
LUSTAWICE | ZAKOPANE | BUDAPEST**

JUNE 14-25, 2018

**Estimated Tour Pricing:
\$3,895 per person**

The above price is for payment by check. A 4% convenience fee is added to all debit/credit card charges.

Preview tour information and register at the following weblink:

<http://www.cvent.com/d/l5qh0p>

Password: GTCYS

Registration will close on October 16, 2017

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TENTATIVE ITINERARY

Day 1 Thursday, June 14, 2018 Depart from Minneapolis
Depart on your transatlantic flight on Delta Airlines from Minneapolis to Berlin via Amsterdam. Meals: Inflight

Day 2 Friday, June 15, 2018 Amsterdam | Berlin
Morning arrival in Amsterdam where you connect to Berlin on KLM Airlines. On arrival in Berlin, meet your local tour managers. Enjoy a guided city-tour that includes the *Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate, Checkpoint Charlie, and the Kurfürstendamm*. Check in to the hotel with time to get settled. Enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel. Inflight B/D

Day 3 Saturday, June 16, 2018 Berlin
Begin the day with a morning rehearsal. Break for lunch and then tour the *Pergamon Museum*, located on the Museum Island in the Spree River. Free afternoon for group pursuits. Get dinner in small groups before attending an evening concert by the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra. Simon Rattle is conducting works by Bernstein, Norman, Lindberg, Dean, Bradley and Erich Wolfgang Korngold. B

Day 4 Sunday, June 17, 2018 Berlin | Wroclaw
Depart from Berlin for the Polish city of Wroclaw, the capital of Lower Silesia and a designated "European Capital of Culture." The main square features colorful Baroque and Renaissance houses that line it on all sides. Walk to dinner at a local restaurant and then perform an evening concert in a local venue such as the *St. Elizabeth* or *St. Marie Madeleine Church*. B/D

Day 5 Monday, June 18, 2018 Wroclaw | Lustawice
Leave Wroclaw as you journey towards Krakow. En route visit the sobering former WW II Concentration Camps at *Auschwitz/Birkenau*. A local guide will provide a compelling tour of the camps in small groups. Continue to Lustawice and the *Krzysztof Penderecki Center for Music (KPCM)*. Check in to the accommodations at the KPCM for a 3-night stay and have dinner on site this evening. B/D

Day 6 Tuesday, June 19, 2018 Wieliczka | Lustawice
Possible morning matinee concert for children and families at the KPCM. Afterwards, travel into Krakow and enjoy a walking tour in the Old Town that takes you to the Wawel Castle. Afternoon rehearsal in the concert venue. Break for dinner and then perform an evening concert in either the *St. Katherine's* or *St. Peter & Paul Church*. B

Day 7 Wednesday, June 20, 2018 Krakow | Lustawice
In the morning, visit the medieval salt mine at Wieliczka. The mine is a UNESCO World Heritage site and you will be amazed as you descend into this vast underground labyrinth. Get lunch and then return to Lustawice for an afternoon rehearsal. Dinner and an evening hosted concert at the *KPCM*. B/D

Day 8 Thursday, June 21, 2018 Lustawice | Zakopane
Bid farewell to your hosts and depart for Zakopane, a beautiful village situated in the High Tatra Mountains. See the unique "Zakopane-style" wooden architecture and spend time on bustling Krupowki Street. Check in to the hotel. Tonight, experience a Highlander Dinner with local Hungarian folk music and dancing. B/D

Day 9 Friday, June 22, 2018 Zakopane | Budapest
Enjoy the morning in Zakopane and get lunch before departing for Hungary. Cross the High Tatras into Slovakia and continue your journey through the sweeping plains into Hungary. The destination today is Budapest, Hungary's capital often referred to as the "Paris of the East." Check in to the hotel. Get dinner on *Váci utca* (Váci street). B

Day 10 Saturday, June 23, 2018 Budapest
Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Budapest to see the *Parliament, Hero's Square, and St. Stephen's Basilica*. Cross the Danube River and drive to the *Royal Castle*. From this high vantage point you will see the *Fishermen's Bastion* and *Matthias Church*. Finale concert in *Basilica Esztergom*. B/D

Day 11 Sunday, June 24, 2018 Budapest
You have the entire day to enjoy Budapest. Venture out in small groups and explore the city. Some may wish to visit the *Great Market Hall*. The unique *Szechenyi Thermal Baths* are fun if you enjoy swimming and you can rent swimsuits/towels. Others may wish to see the *Hungarian National Museum* or *State Opera House*. Conclude the tour with a festive dinner at *Etterem Borkatakamba* complete with Hungarian/Gypsy music and dance! B/D

Day 12 Monday, June 25, 2018 Budapest | U.S.A.
Early departure from Budapest to Minneapolis via Amsterdam on Delta/KLM Airlines. Arrive home in the early afternoon. Clear U.S. Immigration and Customs on arrival. Welcome home! B/Inflight

Note: The tour itinerary is tentative and subject to refinement as we progress in the tour planning process. GrandTours and GTCYS will work collaboratively to finalize the program.



INCLUDED

- Round trip airfare to Berlin/Budapest on Delta/KLM
- Transportation by deluxe 50-passenger motor coach
- Professional tour manager on each motor coach
- Locally guided city-tours in Berlin, Krakow, Budapest
- 7-nights in twin occupancy at 3&4 star hotels
- 3-nights at the Kryzstof Penderecki Center (KPCM)
- Breakfast buffet daily at hotels or at KPCM
- 5-Group dinners as outlined in itinerary
- 2-Group dinners hosted at the Penderecki Center
- Sightseeing as outlined in the tour itinerary
- Admissions as required per the sightseeing program
- Ticket to a Berlin Philharmonic performance
- 5-concert performances with local promotion
- Musical activities at the KPCM
- Rental of cello and double-bass instruments
- Rental of large percussion equipment
- Gratuities to guides | drivers | local escorts
- Travel Guard Group Protection Plan Travel Insurance
- Online tour registration and billing
- Manage My Tour web page for each traveler
- Payment by debit/credit card option (4% fee)
- Land-only package option if extending the tour
- Complete set of travel documents

NOT INCLUDED

- Passport valid through December 25, 2018
- Entry visas if traveling on a foreign passport
- 10-Lunches (Budget 5-10 Euro per meal)
- 3-Dinners (Budget 10-20 Euro per meal)
- Music stands (You will need to bring a folding stand)
- Bows and rock-stops for cellos and basses
- Fees for overweight or oversized personal luggage
- Bottled beverages/soft-drinks at group meals
- Souvenirs and items of a personal nature
- Trip Cancellation Insurance

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ONLINE REGISTRATION

Tour registration is now open and will close on Monday October 16, 2017. Registration is through the following weblink: <http://www.cvent.com/d/I5qh0p> The password to register is: GTCYS

ESTIMATED TOUR PRICING

AIR & LAND TOUR PACKAGE
\$3,895 PER PERSON (PAYMENT BY CHECK)

LAND-ONLY TOUR PACKAGE (NO GROUP AIR)
\$2,795 PER PERSON (PAYMENT BY CHECK)

A 4% CONVENIENCE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO ONLINE DEBIT/CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS WHEN PROCESSED.

DEPOSIT/PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

October 16, 2017	\$300*
November 30, 2017	\$1,200
February 1, 2018	\$1,200
April 13, 2018	Final Balance Due

*All deposits/payments are being made to GrandTours. A deposit made payable to GrandTours by check or by debit/credit card will confirm your participation. The prices listed are a good-faith estimate until hosting arrangements are confirmed with the Kryzstof Penderecki Center of Music and an accurate number of travelers is determined.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Cancelled by October 16, 2018	Full Refund
Cancelled by November 30, 2017	\$300 cancellation fee
Cancelled by February 1, 2018	\$1,000 cancellation fee
Cancelled by April 13, 2018	\$1,500 cancellation fee
Cancelled on or after April 14, 2018	No Refund

Note: Once registered for the tour, you may wish to consider the purchase of trip cancellation insurance. Our recommended supplier is Travel Guard, but you are free to purchase it from any vendor that suits your needs. Please be advised that "cancel for any reason" policies and those for pre-existing medical conditions often need to be purchased within 14-days of depositing on the tour with most providers. Visit www.travelguard.com for information.

GROUP AIR SCHEDULES

40-Seats

KL 656	June 14 MSP/AMS	3:00PM/6:00AM
KL 1821	June 15 AMS/BERLIN (TXL)	7:00AM/8:20AM
KL 1972	June 25 BUD/AMS	6:30AM/8:35AM
DL 163	June 25 AMS/MSP	1:00PM/3:01PM

45-Seats

KL 656	June 14 MSP/AMS	3:00PM/6:00AM
KL 1821	June 15 AMS/BERLIN (TXL)	7:00AM/8:20AM
KL 1972	June 25 BUD/AMS	6:30AM/8:35AM
DL 163	June 25 AMS/MSP	10:30AM/12:30PM