

Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra & Choir / Shadow Tour

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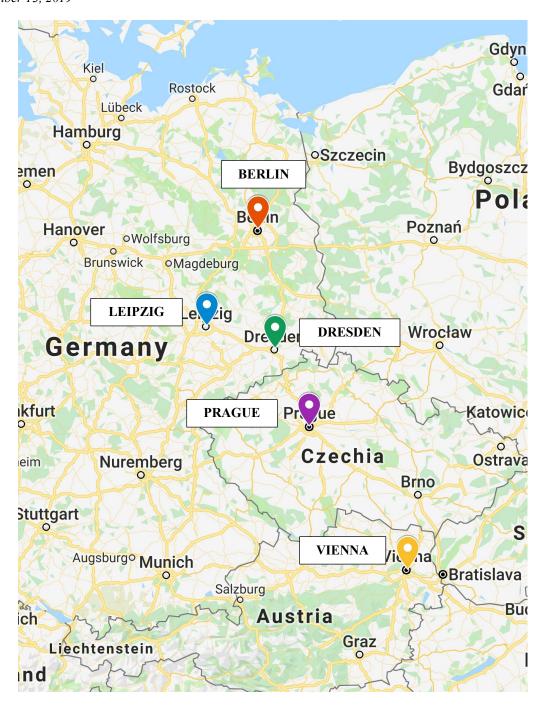
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8:25pm

3:35pm

7:55pm

DAY ONE: Sunday, June 21, 2020 – SAN FRANCISCO Departure

Please note travelers will be assigned to flight groups per the needs of Saratoga High School.

ALPHA GROUP (up to 53 travelers)

By 4:00pm Arrive at Saratoga High School. Board your coach and transfer to SFO.

~5:30pm Arrive at San Francisco International Airport – meet your World Projects Tour Managers who will assist

with check in and travel with you throughout the tour.

After checking in your luggage and instruments, move through security to the departure gate. Depart for Berlin via Paris on Air France Flight #85 – there will be a change of plane en route.

BRAVO GROUP (up to 43 travelers)

By 11:00am Arrive at Saratoga High School. Board your coach and transfer to SFO.

~12:30pm Arrive at San Francisco International Airport – meet your World Projects Tour Managers who will assist

with check in and travel with you throughout the tour.

After checking in your luggage and instruments, move through security to the departure gate. Depart for Berlin via Paris on Air France Flight #83 – there will be a change of plane en route.

CHARLIE GROUP (up to 75 travelers) and ECHO GROUP (up to 74 travelers)

By 3:15pm Arrive at Saratoga High School. Board your coaches and transfer to SFO.

~4:45pm Arrive at San Francisco International Airport – meet your World Projects Tour Managers who will assist

with check in and travel with you throughout the tour.

After checking in your luggage and instruments, move through security to the departure gate. Depart for Berlin via Zurich on Swiss Air Flight #39 – there will be a change of plane en route.

DELTA GROUP (up to 49 travelers)

By 4:30pm Arrive at Saratoga High School. Board your coach and transfer to SFO.

~6:00pm Arrive at San Francisco International Airport – meet your World Projects Tour Managers who will assist

with check in and travel with you throughout the tour.

After checking in your luggage and instruments, move through security to the departure gate.

9:10pm Depart for Berlin via Munich on Lufthansa Flight #459 – there will be a change of plane en route.



DAY TWO: Monday, June 22, 2020 – Arrive BERLIN (D)

ALPHA GROUP (up to 53 travelers)

4:20pm Arrive into Paris' Charles de Gaulle International Airport – proceed with passport control then move to

6:00pm Depart Paris for Berlin on Air France Flight #1534. 7:40pm Arrive into Berlin's Tegel International Airport.

> In the quarter-century-plus since the Wall came tumbling down, Berlin has re-established itself as Germany's capital and gone through an urban and social transformation that has made it, once again, one of the most exciting cities in Europe. Superlative museums, grand (and grandiose) monuments, a performing arts scene that has no equal in Germany, fascinating neighborhoods to explore, fabulous parks and green spaces to enjoy, cafes, shopping, elegant restaurants and on-the-go street food—Berlin truly does have something for everyone.

Collect your luggage, and proceed with customs formalities. You will be met by your local Tour Escorts who will travel with you throughout the tour.

Transfer the Berlin Main Train Station (Hauptbahnhof) for

dinner on own with a €20 cash handout.

Afterwards, transfer to hotels (SWE & SSO at the NH Mitte am Checkpoint Charlie / Choir & Shadow at Crowne Plaza Berlin City Center) – upon arrival, check-into the

hotel – time to settle into your rooms.

The evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).

BRAVO GROUP (up to 43 travelers)

Evening

Arrive into Paris' Charles de Gaulle International Airport – 11:25am

> proceed with passport control then move to next gate. Depart Paris for Berlin on Air France Flight #1834.

3:20pm Arrive into Berlin's Tegel International Airport. 5:00pm

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Transfer to hotels (SWE & SSO at the NH Mitte am Checkpoint Charlie / Choir & Shadow at Crowne

Plaza Berlin City Center) – upon arrival, check-into the hotel – time to settle into your rooms.

Dinner on own with a \in 20 cash handout in the vicinity of the hotels (in approved groups).

The evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).

Berlin's Tegel International Airport



DAY TWO: Monday, June 22, 2020 – Arrive BERLIN (D)

CHARLIE GROUP (up to 75 travelers) and ECHO GROUP (up to 74 travelers)

3:45pm Arrive into Zurich International Airport – proceed with passport control then move to next gate.

6:25pm Depart Zurich for Berlin on Swiss Air Flight #978. 7:50pm Arrive into Berlin's Tegel International Airport.

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Transfer to the Berlin Main Train Station (Hauptbahnhof) for dinner on own with a €20 cash handout.

Afterwards, transfer to hotels (SWE & SSO at the NH Mitte am Checkpoint Charlie / Choir & Shadow at Crowne Plaza Berlin City Center) – upon arrival, check-into the hotel –

time to settle into your rooms.

The evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).

DELTA GROUP (up to 49 travelers)

5:20pm Arrive into Munich International Airport – proceed with

passport control then move to next gate.

Dinner on own with a €20 cash handout at Munich

International Airport (should there not be adequate time for dinner at MUC, group will stop at the Berlin Hauptbahnhof

upon arrival into Berlin).

8:00pm Depart Munich for Berlin on Lufthansa Flight #1960. Arrive into Berlin's Tegel International Airport. 9:05pm

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Berlin's Skyline

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Transfer to hotels (SWE & SSO at the NH Mitte am Checkpoint Charlie / Choir & Shadow at Crowne <u>Plaza Berlin City Center</u>) – upon arrival, check-into the hotel – time to settle into your rooms. The evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



DAY THREE: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 – BERLIN (B,D)

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

CHOIR

Transfer to Museum Island (and pass by the Berlin Cathedral on the island). Enjoy a visit to the Pergamon Museum – Germany's most popular museum showcases art and objects from antiquity and the Middle East and includes such treasures as the Ishtar Gate (dating back more than 2500 years to Babylon) and the Market Gate of Miletus (dating back nearly 2000 years to glory days of the Roman Empire).

Brandenburg Gate

Afternoon Lunch on own nearby Museum Island.

> Meet your local guides and transfer to central Berlin by coach (via the Unter der Linden) and enjoy a guided walking tour of central Berlin - sights to include the Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate, Memorial to the Murder Jews of Europe, the Topography of Terror Museum, and Checkpoint Charlie.

3:00pm-5:00pm Evening

Rehearsal at the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church.

Welcome dinner as a group at the Erdinger Gendarmenmarkt.

After dinner, return to the hotel – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).

SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE / SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Board the coaches (with instruments) and meet your local guides. Transfer to central Berlin by coach (via the Unter der Linden) and enjoy a guided walking tour of central Berlin – sights to include the Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate, Memorial to the Murder Jews of Europe, the Topography of Terror Museum, and Checkpoint Charlie.

Afternoon

Lunch on your own near the end of the walking tour in central

Berlin.

Transfer to Museum Island (and pass by the Berlin Cathedral on

the island). Enjoy a visit to the Pergamon Museum – Germany's most popular museum showcases art and objects from antiquity and the Middle East and includes such treasures as the Ishtar Gate (dating back more than 2500

years to Babylon) and the Market Gate of Miletus (dating back nearly 2000 years to glory days of the

3:00pm-5:00pm Evening

SWE – **Rehearsal** at the Auditorium Friedrichstrasse / **SSO** – time to explore in approved groups.

Welcome dinner as a group at the Erdinger Gendarmenmarkt.

SSO – Rehearsal at the Auditorium Friedrichstrasse / SWE – time to explore in approved groups. 7:30pm-9:30pm Return to the hotel – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).

SHADOW

Roman Empire).

Transfer to Museum Island (and pass by the Berlin Cathedral on the island). Enjoy a visit to the Pergamon Museum – Germany's most popular museum showcases art and objects from antiquity and the Middle East and includes such treasures as the Ishtar Gate (dating back more than 2500 years to Babylon) and the Market Gate of Miletus (dating back nearly 2000 years to glory days of the Roman Empire).

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the Murder Jews of Europe, the Topography of Terror Museum, and Checkpoint Charlie.

Welcome dinner as a group at the Erdinger Gendarmenmarkt. **Evening**

Return to the hotels—evening is free.

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DAY FOUR: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 – BERLIN (B) – Performance (SWE / SSO)

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

CHOIR / SHADOW TOUR

This morning, explore the Berlin Wall with a guided tour – the tour includes a visit to the Berlin Wall Monument, the Berlin Wall Documentation Center, and the Chapel of Reconciliation.

Afternoon Lunch on own in Berlin.

This afternoon, enjoy time to explore Berlin – possible activities could include (all costs on own):

- Enjoy a more in-depth walking tour of Berlin (pre-booking may be required)
- Climb the famous Reichstag Dome
- Explore another of Berlin's world-class museums such as the Neues Museum, the Gemäldegalerie, or the Musikinstrumenten-Museum Berlin
- Wander the leafy expanse of Under den Linden pat some of Berlin's main sights
- Enjoy a paddleboat ride along the Spree River
- Explore the shops and restaurants in the Ku'Damm and/or along Friedrichstraße

Evening Dinner on own.

Transfer to the Philharmonie and take seats in the audience.

SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE / SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

This morning and early afternoon, enjoy time to explore Berlin – see above for possible activities.

Afternoon Lunch on own in Berlin.

Return to the hotel to collect instruments and performance attire then transfer to the Berliner

Philharmonie.

4:00pm-5:50pm Rehearsal / Soundcheck at the Berliner

Philharmonie.

Evening Dinner on your own near the concert venue.

After dinner, return to the Philharmonie and

change into performance attire.

EVERYONE

8:00pm PERFORMANCE (Symphonic Wind Ensemble

/ **Symphony Orchestra**) at the Berliner Philharmonie – this concert will be shared with

the Junge Philharmonie Reinickendorf.

Home of the celebrated Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, the **Berliner Philharmonie** is one of the first and still among the finest modern concert halls constructed. Inaugurated in 1963 with a performance of Beethoven's 9th Symphony under the direction of Herbert van Karajan, the Philharmonie was designed in a "vineyard" style by the renowned architect, Hans Scharoun so that every one of the 2,440 seats feel close to the stage. Today, this remarkable hall with its stunning acoustics and architecture is a "cathedral" to

classical music and every major orchestra's and artist's

dream to perform in.



Berliner Philharmonie

Following the concert, pack up and return to respective hotels – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



<u>DAY FIVE: Thursday, June 25, 2020 – BERLIN (B)</u> – *Performance (Choir)*

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

SHADOW TOUR

Potsdam Tour: Enjoy a trip to the charming town of Potsdam (~45 minutes from Berlin) – Potsdam was the home of Prussian and German kings for over 200 years – the excursion will include a tour of the

Sanssouci Palace and time to explore the picturesque Old Town.

Afternoon Lunch on own in Potsdam then return to Berlin – free time to explore Berlin on own.

Evening Dinner on own in Berlin.

Transfer to the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church and take seats.

SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE / SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

This morning, explore the Berlin Wall with a guided tour – the tour includes a visit to the Berlin Wall Monument, the Berlin Wall Documentation Center, and the Chapel of Reconciliation.

Afternoon Lunch on own – this afternoon enjoy time to explore Berlin in

approved groups (see Day 4 for possible activities).

Evening Dinner on own in Berlin.

Transfer to the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church and take seats.

CHOIR

This morning, enjoy time to explore Berlin in approved groups (see

Day 4 for possible activities).

Afternoon Lunch on own.

7:30pm

Return to the hotel to collect performance attire then transfer to the Kaiser

Wilhelm Memorial Church.

3:00pm-4:30pm Rehearsal / Soundcheck at Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church (including rehearsal of joint pieces with the

Jugendchor der Deutschen Oper).

Evening Dinner on your own near the venue.

After dinner, return to the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church and change into performance attire.

EVERYONE

PERFORMANCE (Choir) at the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church – this concert will be shared with

the Jugendchor der Deutschen Oper.

Originally built in the 1890's, the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church (Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gedächtniskirche) was heavily damaged in WW II. From 1959-1963, the current modern church was rebuilt, however, the original damaged spire/belfry was retained as a memorial and a reminder of the horrors of war. Today, the stunning modern church is a famous landmark of Berlin with an active congregation. The church hosts numerous concerts and is well-known for its excellent choral acoustics.

Choir – Following the concert, enjoy social time with the Jugendchor der Deutschen Oper.

Return to respective hotels – evening is free until curfew/lightsout (students).

Berlin Wall Memorial

Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church

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DAY SIX: Friday, June 26, 2020 – BERLIN → LEIPZIG → DRESDEN (B, snack) – Performance (Choir)

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

Check-out of hotels and load the equipment truck and coaches – depart for Leipzig (~2.5-hour drive).

Arrive into Leipzig.

More than any other city in former East Germany (except Berlin, of course), Leipzig brings you into the Germany of today. This once dreary city has taken on a new life and vitality. In addition to a booming rock scene, Leipzig is also famous for more traditional music. Johann Sebastian Bach is closely associated with Leipzig, Mozart and Mendelssohn performed here, and Wagner was born here in 1813.

Enjoy a guided tour of Leipzig – see highlights such as the Völkerschlachtdenkmal (monument to Napoleon's defeat in Leipzig in 1813), the famous Gewandhaus Concert Hall, and St. Thomas's Church.

The tour will being or conclude with a visit to the Bach Museum housed in the historic Bose House which presents the life and work of Johann Sebastian Bach in an interactive exhibition.

Afternoon Lunch on own.

> Enjoy time to explore Leipzig's charming city center in approved groups.

Note: it is recommended travelers visit a local market or take-away location to purchase snacks for the ride to Dresden after the concert.

Late Afternoon Choir – Transfer to St. Nicholas Church.

2:00pm-3:30pm Choir – Rehearsal / Soundcheck at St. Nicholas Church including

rehearsal of joint pieces with the Konzertchores des Rutheneum, Gera.

4:00pm-5:00pm **Choir** – Enjoy social time with the Konzertchores des Rutheneum,

Evening Dinner on your own in Leipzig (everyone).

Choir – After dinner, return to the St. Nicholas Church and change into

performance attire.

PERFORMANCE (Choir) at the St. Nicholas Church in Leipzig – 7:30pm shared with the Konzertchores des Rutheneum, Gera.

> One of the most prominent churches in Leipzig, St. Nicholas Church (Nikolaikirche) was originally built in the 12th century in Romanesque-style but enlarged in the 16th century in Gothic-style before having Baroque elements (including the main tower) added in the 18th century. J.S Bach was Kapellmeister for St. Nicolas Church (as well as nearby St. Thomas) from 1723 until his death in 1750 – many of Bach's most important works including his Cantatas and St. Matthew's Passion were performed at St. Nicholas Church under Bach's tutelage.

Upon arrival, check-in to the hotels (SWE/SSO at the NH Hotel Altmarkt / Choir at the Starr Inn / Shadow at the Innside Hotel Dresden) and settle into rooms.

A snack will be provided upon arrival at the hotels. The evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



Bach Statue - Leipzig





St. Nicholas Church – Leipzig



DAY SEVEN: Saturday, June 27, 2020 – DRESDEN (B,D)

Note: As all hotels are within walking distance of Dresden sites and performance venue, access to coaches will not be available for June 27 and June 28.

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

This morning, enjoy a guided walking tour of Dresden – see highlights such as the Zwinger Palace, Frauenkirche, and the Semperoper.

Founded in 1206, Dresden was the home of Saxon princes and kings for generations. Under Augustus the Strong and his son Augustus III, Dresden became one of the most beautiful cities in Europe famous for its baroque and rococo architecture earning the nickname "Florence of the North". In February 1945 during WW II, Dresden was firebombed by the Allies and more than 60% of the city burned to the ground. During the Cold War, Dresden was neglected by the East German authorities, however, since reunification, much of Dresden has been rebuilt and restored to its former glory and once again has taken its place as one of Germany's most beautiful and vibrant cities.



Zwinger Palace – Dresden

Afternoon

Lunch on own in Dresden.

The afternoon is free to explore Dresden in approved groups – possible activities could include (all costs on own):

- Enjoy a more in-depth guided tour (Psychology Writes History I or II – pre-booking may be required)
- Wander the restored streets of Old Town with its stunning baroque architecture
- Take a tour of the famous Semperoper
- Explore the funky New Town across the Elbe River known for its eclectic shops and restaurants
- Take in another of Dresden's wonderful museums such as the Old Master's Gallery, the Albertinum, the Green Vault, and/or the Royal Armory



Semperoper - Dresden

Evening

Enjoy dinner as group at the <u>Sophienkeller</u>. After dinner, walk back to respective hotels – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



DAY EIGHT: Sunday, June 28, 2020 – DRESDEN (B) – Performance (SWE / SSO)

Note: As all hotels are within walking distance of Dresden sites and performance venue, access to coaches will not be available for June 27 and June 28.

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

Enjoy time to explore Dresden (see Day 7 for possible activities) and/or enjoy a well-deserved late-

morning.

Lunch on own in Dresden. Afternoon

Choir / Shadow Tour – Enjoy time to further explore Dresden.

Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra – Collect instruments and performance attire and

walk to the Kulturpalast.

2:30pm-4:20pm Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra – Rehearsal / Soundcheck at the Kulturpalast then

change into performance attire.

Late Afternoon

Early dinner on own in Dresden (or get a snack and have dinner post-concert).

6:00pm

PERFORMANCE (Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra) at the Kulturpalast – this concert will be shared with the Symphonic Wind Orchestra from the Heinrich-Schütz-Konservatorium.

Opened in 1969 during the communist era, the **Kulturpalast** was originally intended as a venue for conferences, dances, and entertainment events. In 2013, the building was closed for an extensive renovation and re-opened in 2017 as a dedicated concert hall. The "vineyard"-style concert hall has

earned rave reviews and is home to the Dresden Philharmonic.

After the concert, walk back to respective hotels. Evening

Time to get a snack (or dinner on own) and evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).





Kulturpalast - Dresden



DAY NINE: Monday, June 29, 2020 – DRESDEN → PRAGUE (B) – Performance (SWE / SSO)

Morning

Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

Check-out of respective hotels and load the equipment truck

and coaches – depart for Prague (~2-hour drive).

Arrive into Prague.

The City of a Thousand Spires has seen it all. Centuries of Bohemian kings, classical composers, invading Nazis, Soviet tanks, and Velvet Revolutionaries have passed over Prague's cobblestones and spires survived it all creating one of Europe's most romantic and beautiful skylines as well as a vibrant and active city.



CHOIR / SHADOW TOUR

Afternoon

Lunch on own in Prague.

This afternoon, enjoy a Guided Walking Tour of the Old and New Town

Prague

districts including the historic Old Town Square where you will see the famous astronomical clock and

the Church of Tyne as well as admire the amazing architecture.

After the tour, transfer to respective hotels (Choir at the Vienna House Hotel Angelo / Shadow at the

Vienna House Hotel Diplomat) and check-in.

Evening

Dinner on your own in Prague.

Transfer to Dvořák Hall and take seats.

SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE / SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Afternoon

Lunch on own in central Prague near Dvořák Hall.

2:00pm

Gather back at Dvořák Hall and take seats.

2:30pm-4:00pm Enjoy observing a closed rehearsal of the Czech

Philharmonic Orchestra at Dvořák Hall (Saratoga SWE and

SSO have been given special permission to attend).

After the Czech Philharmonic rehearsal, gather instruments

and set-up for Saratoga rehearsal.

5:00pm-6:50pm

Rehearsal / Soundcheck at the Rudolfinum – Dvořák Hall.

SWE to have early dinner on own in the vicinity of Dvořák

Hall while **SSO** rehearses then switch.

Early Evening

Time to change into performance attire.

EVERYONE

8:00pm

PERFORMANCE (Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra) at the Rudolfinum, Dvořák Hall – concert to be shared with the Smichov Filharmony – Alumni Orchestra from Zuš Music Art School.

Located in the famed Rudolfinum, **Dvořák Hall** is one of the oldest concert halls in Europe and is justly famous for its acoustics. On January 4, 1896, the Czech Philharmonic's very first concert took place here conducted by the famous Czech composer Antonin Dvořák. Today, Dvořák Hall is home to the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra and hosts prominent orchestras and ensembles from around the world.

Dvořák Hall – Prague

Following the concert, pack up and transfer to the respective hotels – **SSO & SWE** to check-in to the Vienna House Hotel Andel's and check-in – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



DAY TEN: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 - PRAGUE (B) - Performance (Choir)

Morning

Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra — This morning, enjoy a Guided Walking Tour of the Old and New Town districts including the historic Old Town Square where you will see the famous astronomical clock and the Church of Tyne as well as admire the amazing architecture.

Choir / Shadow Tour – Load the coaches (Choir – bring performance attire) and transfer to the Castle District. Enjoy a guided walking tour of the Castle District and Lesser Town including a visit to St. Vitus Cathedral, and St. George's Basilica, as well as the Golden Lane at Prague Castle.



Afternoon

Lunch on own in Prague.

Enjoy time to explore Prague in approved groups—possible activities could include (all costs on own):

Old Town Square - Prague

- Further explore Prague on a "Hidden Prague" Walking Tour (pre-booking may be required)
- Wander the cobblestone streets of the Old Town, Castle District, and Old Jewish Quarter
- Explore one Prague's museums such Museum of Medieval Art, Mucha Museum, and/or the Museum of Communism
- Visit one of Prague's music-related museums such as the Dvořák Museum and/or the Czech Museum of Music
- Tour the opulent Lobkowicz Palace (where both Mozart and Beethoven)
- Take in the cityscape from the magnificent Charles Bridge

Late Afternoon 3:15pm-4:15pm

Choir – Transfer to the Church of SS Simon and Jude.

Choir – Rehearsal / Soundcheck at Church of SS Simon and Jude including a rehearsal of shared pieces with the Pěvecký sbor Evropská Choir then change into performance attire.

5:00pm

PERFORMANCE (Choir) at the Church of SS Simon and Jude in Prague – shared with the Pěvecký sbor Evropská Choir.

Dating back to 1354, the Church of SS Simon and Jude (Kostel svatého Šimona a Judy), started as a chapel attached to a hospital. Significally enlarged in 1620 in Gothic and Renaissance style and then again in the early 18th century in High Baroque style, the church's acoustics attacted both Mozart and Haydn to perform there. During the communist era, the church was deconsecrated and used as a storehouse before being repurposed as a concert hall after communism fell. Today, the Prague Symphony Orchestra maintains the facility and the suburb acoustics make the chuch a favorite concert venue for local and international chamber and choral groups.



Evening

Choir – After the concert, enjoy social time with Pěvecký sbor Evropská Choir then change clothes and store on bus. Dinner on your own in Prague (everyone).

SS Simon and Jude Church

After dinner, return to respective hotels – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



DAY ELEVEN: Wednesday, July 1, 2020 – PRAGUE (B,D)

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

Prague Castle.

Shadow Tour – Kunta Hora Tour: Enjoy a trip to the small delightful town of Kunta Hora (~1 hour from Prague) – an ancient mining town made an UNESCO heritage site – the excursion will include visits to the Cathedral of St. Barbara and the Sedlec Ossuary (famous for its human bone decorations) and time to explore the picturesque Old Town. Return to Prague after lunch.

Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra – This morning, enjoy a guided walking tour of the Castle District and Lesser Town including a visit to St. Vitus Cathedral, and St. George's Basilica, as well as the Golden Lane at

Choir – This morning enjoy time to explore Prague in approved groups (see

Day 10 for suggested activities).

Afternoon Lunch on own.

Everyone – This afternoon and evening, enjoy time to explore Prague in

approved group (see Day 10 for suggested activities).

Evening This evening, enjoy a Dinner Cruise as a group upon Prague's Vlava River (*Vltava River Dinner Cruise*).

After dinner, return to respective hotels – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



St. Vitus Cathedral at Prague Castle

DAY TWELVE: Thursday, July 2, 2020 – PRAGUE (B)

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

This morning, board the coaches and transfer to nearby Terezin. Visit the Terezin Ghetto / Concentration Camp and Memorial.

More than 140,000 Jews were interned at **Terezin** by the Nazis during WW II. While the concentration camp was designed as a "model ghetto" to show the Red Cross and international observers, only 23,000 of those that passed through Terezin lived to the end of the war.

Return to Prague.

Afternoon This afternoon enjoy time to explore Prague in approved groups

(see Day 10 for suggested activities).

Evening Dinner on own in Prague.

After dinner, return to respective hotels – evening is free until

curfew/lights-out (students).



Terezin Concentration Camp Entrance



<u>DAY THIRTEEN: Friday, July 3, 2020 – PRAGUE → CESKÝ KRUMLOV → VIENNA (B)</u>

Morning

Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

Check-out of the hotels and load the equipment truck and coaches – depart for Ceský Krumlov (~2.5 hour drive).

Arrive into Ceský Krumlov.

One of Bohemia's prettiest towns, Ceský Krumlov is a living gallery of elegant Renaissance-era buildings housing charming cafes, pubs, restaurants, shops, and galleries. In 1992, UNESCO named Ceský Krumlov a World Heritage Site for its historical importance and physical beauty.

Enjoy time to explore Ceský Krumlov in approved groups – possible activities could include (all costs on own):

> Explore the delightful cobblestone streets of the Old Town and Castle District

Raft down the Vltava River in a kayak or rubber boat

Tour the Castle and Baroque Theatre

Afternoon Lunch on own in Ceský Krumlov.

Continue to Vienna (~3 hour drive with a stop en route).

Late Afternoon

Evening

Arrive into Vienna.

A whirl of gilded Hapsburg palaces and regal parks on the banks of the blue Danube, Vienna is a fine romance of a city. Tradition and innovation walk hand in hand: Strauss waltzes are still hip to 20-something ball-goers and even the imperial stables have been born again as the surprising and vibrant Museum Quarter.

Upon arrival, enjoy a visit to the Vienna Central Cemetery where you will see the tombs and memorials of famous composers such as Beethoven, Mozart, the Strauss family, and Brahms then transfer to the hotels.

Arrive at the hotels (SWE,SSO, & Choir at Archotel Wimberger / Shadow

at Mercure Hotel Westbahnhof) and check-in.

Dinner on own in approved groups in the vicinity of the hotels (Mariahilferstrasse and the Westbahnhof)

- evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



Ceský Krumlov



Vienna at dusk

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<u>DAY FOURTEEN: Saturday, July 4, 2020 – VIENNA (B)</u> – Performance (Choir)

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

SHADOW TOUR

Board the coach and transfer into central Vienna.

This morning, enjoy a visit to the wonderful Haus der Musik – an interactive museum with exhibits on the Vienna Philharmonic, games involving famous Viennese composers, and interactive sound exhibits that teach students about how music is created and perceived then walk to St. Stephen's Cathedral

12:45pm-1:15pm Attend *PERFORMANCE (Choir)* at St. Stephen's Cathedral.

CHOIR

Board the coach (with concert clothes) and transfer into central Vienna. Store performance clothes in the Curhaus adjacent to St. Stephen's Cathedral then walk to the Haus der Musik.

This morning, enjoy a visit to the wonderful Haus der Musik – an interactive museum with exhibits on the Vienna Philharmonic, games involving famous Viennese composers, and interactive sound exhibits that teach students about how music is created and perceived.

Return to the Curhaus at St. Stephen's Cathedral and prepare for concert

PERFORMANCE (Choir) at St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Rebuilt on the ruins of a previous church in the 14th century in high Gothic-Style, **St. Stephen's Cathedral** (**Stephansdom**) has borne witness to many important events in Habsburg and Austrian history and has, with its multi-colored tile roof, become one of the city's most recognizable symbols. St. Stephen's has also been at the heart of the musical life in Vienna – among many highlights, Mozart performed in the church and his funeral was held there as well. Today, the church is at the center of Vienna's (and Austria's) religious and musical life.

After the concert, Choir to change clothes and store on the bus.

St. Stephen's Cathedral



Lunch on own following the concert.

Enjoy time to explore Vienna in approved groups – possible activities could include (all costs on own):

- Further explore Vienna's city center with its myriad of shops, restaurants and sites such as the Hofburg Palace, the Spanish Riding School, and the Burgkapelle (home of the Vienna Boys' Choir)
- Enjoy one (or more) of the many "music" sites in Vienna such as the Vienna State Opera House, the music instrument collection at the Hofburg Palace, and/or the Mozart House, etc.
- Explore Vienna's amazing art scene at the Museumquartier, Kunsthistorisches, and/or the Belvedere
- Experience the fair-like atmosphere at Prater Park
- Relax at one of Vienna's famous coffee houses

Dinner on own (in approved groups).

Enjoy a guided coach/walking tour of Vienna – see highlights such as the Imperial Hofburg Palace, the Vienna Opera House, and St. Stephen's Cathedral then return to respective hotels – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).

Evening

11:00am

12:45pm-1:15pm



<u>DAY FOURTEEN: Saturday, July 4, 2020 – VIENNA (B)</u> – *Performance (Choir)* <u>CONTINUED</u>

SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE / SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Enjoy a guided coach/walking tour of Vienna – see highlights such as the Imperial Hofburg Palace, the

Vienna Opera House, and St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Early Afternoon Transfer to St. Stephen's Cathedral.

12:45pm-1:15pm Attend *PERFORMANCE (Choir)* at St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Lunch on own following the concert.

This afternoon, enjoy an OPTIONAL visit (no additional cost) to the stunning Schönbrunn Palace (Imperial Tour including audio guide) – the fabulous baroque summer residence of the Hapsburg Emperors – or time on own in approved groups to explore Vienna (see possible activities on previous

page).

Evening Dinner on own (in approved groups).

This evening, enjoy a visit to the wonderful Haus der Musik – an interactive museum with exhibits on the Vienna Philharmonic, games involving famous Viennese composers, and interactive sound exhibits that teach students about how music is created and perceived.

Return to the hotel – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).



Haus der Musik



DAY FIFTEEN: Sunday, July 5, 2020 – VIENNA (B,D) – Performance (SWE / SSO)

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.

SHADOW TOUR / CHOIR

This morning, enjoy a visit to the stunning Schönbrunn Palace (Imperial Tour including audio guide) – the fabulous baroque summer residence of the Hapsburg Emperors.

Afternoon Lunch on own.

Transfer to the Musikverein and take your seats.

SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE / SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Load the coaches (with instruments and performance attire) and transfer to the

Musikverein.

11:30am-1:20pm Rehearsal / Soundcheck at the Musikverein. SWE to have

lunch on own in the vicinity of Dvořák Hall while SSO

rehearses then switch.

Return to the Musikverein to change clothes.



Schönbrunn Palace

EVERYONE

3:00pm *PERFOR*

PERFORMANCE (Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra) at the Musikverein – this concert will be shared with the Landesjugendsinfonieorchester Steiermark.

The **Musikverein** was built by the Gesellschaft der Musikfreunde (Society for the Friends of Music), on a piece of land given by Emperor Franz Joseph, and it was opened on January 6, 1870. The Golden Hall of the Musikverein is famous for its acoustics and is considered to be one of the three finest concert halls in the world, along with Boston's Symphony Hall and Amsterdam's Concertgebouw. It is the home to the Vienna Philharmonic, and every year, the Vienna New Year's Concert is held here.

Evening

Following the concert, pack up and return to the hotel – time to get ready for this evening's party. Enjoy a DJ Dinner Dance Party at the <u>Archotel Wimberger</u> to celebrate your European tour! After the party, return to rooms (Shadow Tour to return to Mercure Hotel) – evening is free until curfew/lights-out (students).





Musikverein - Vienna



DAY SIXTEEN: Monday, July 6, 2020 – VIENNA → SAN FRANCISCO (B)

Please note travelers will be assigned to flight groups per the needs of Saratoga High School.

ALPHA GROUP

5:45am Check-out of the hotel(s), collect box breakfast, and load the equipment truck and coach – transfer to

Vienna International Airport.

~7:00am Arrive at the airport, check in for your flights, say goodbye to your local tour escorts, and move through

security to your departure gate.

9:20am Depart Vienna for SFO via Amsterdam on KLM Flight #1840 – there will be a change of plane en route.

11:15am Arrive into Amsterdam and transfer to next gate.

BRAVO GROUP

3:30am Check-out of the hotel(s), collect box breakfast, and load the equipment truck and coach – transfer to

Vienna International Airport.

~4:45am Arrive at the airport, check in for your flights, say goodbye to your local tour escorts, and move through

security to your departure gate.

6:55am Depart Vienna for SFO via Amsterdam on KLM Flight #1838 – there will be a change of plane en route.

8:45am Arrive into Amsterdam and transfer to next gate.

ALPHA GROUP and **BRAVO GROUP**

12:35pm Depart Amsterdam for SFO on KLM Flight #607.

2:30pm Arrive into SFO – proceed with US immigration, collect baggage, and proceed through customs.

WELCOME HOME!

CHARLIE GROUP and DELTA GROUP

Morning Breakfast at the hotel(s).

9:00am Check-out of the hotel(s) and load the equipment truck and coaches – transfer to Vienna International

Airport.

~10:30am Arrive at the airport, check in for your flights, say goodbye to your local tour escorts, and move through

security to your departure gate.

1:05pm Depart Vienna for SFO via Munich on Lufthansa Flight #2329 (operated by Austrian Airlines) – there

will be a change of plane en route.

2:05pm Arrive into Munich and transfer to next gate.
4:20pm Depart Munich for SFO on Lufthansa Flight #458.

6:55pm Arrive into SFO – proceed with US immigration, collect baggage, and proceed through customs.

WELCOME HOME!

ECHO GROUP

5:45am Check-out of the hotel(s), collect box breakfast, and load the equipment truck and coach – transfer to

Vienna International Airport.

~7:00am Arrive at the airport, check in for your flights, say goodbye to your local tour escorts, and move through

security to your departure gate.

9:35am Depart Vienna for SFO via Zurich on Swiss Air Flight #1575 – there will be a change of plane en route.

11:00am Arrive into Zurich and transfer to next gate. 1:10pm Depart Zurich for SFO on Swiss Air Flight #38.

4:00pm Arrive into SFO – proceed with US immigration, collect baggage, and proceed through customs.

WELCOME HOME!



Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, & Choir / Shadow Tour 2020 CENTRAL EUROPE PERFORMANCE TOUR

Germany / Czech Republic / Austria June 21 to July 6, 2020

As of December 13, 2019

PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

- ACTUAL round-trip, economy class airfare (SFO-BER / VIE-SFO) including estimated taxes and surcharges (subject to change)
- □ US \$12,500 towards 2nd checked bags and/or overweight-oversize baggage

Note: Currently all airlines traveling to Europe from SFO allow one checked bag at no additional cost (weight and size restrictions apply)

BERLIN – Four (4) nights (SWE & SSO – NH Mitte am Checkpoint Charlie / Choir & Shadow – Crowne Plaza Berlin City

DRESDEN - Three (3) nights (SWE & SSO - NH Hotel Dresden Altmarkt / Choir - Starr Inn / Shadow - Innside Hotel Dresden)

PRAGUE – Four (4) nights (SWE & SSO – Vienna House Andel's Hotel / Choir – Vienna House Angelo Hotel / Shadow – Vienna House Diplomat Hotel)

VIENNA – Three (3) nights (SWE, SSO, Choir – Archotel Wimberger / Shadow – Mercure Hotel Westbahnhof)

Breakfast daily at the hotels (European continental)

Four (4) dinners as a group (including dinner cruise in Pragie and farewell dinner-dance party in the ballroom of the Archotel Wimberger) / One (1) dinner with €20 cash handout / One (1) Snack upon arrival at Dresden hotels on Day 6

Full-sized deluxe touring coaches and instrument truck as required by the itinerary

Note: Coaches will not be available in Dresden on Days 7 & 8

Coaching to San Francisco International Airport (from SHS) on June 21, 2020

One (1) local multi-lingual Tour Manager PER COACH with the group in Europe

Three (3) World Projects Tour Managers with group for the duration of the tour (two for SWE, SSO, & Choir / one for Shadow)

Sightseeing and admissions per itinerary including (note – all walking tours to include headsets):

BERLIN – Guided Walking Tour including the Topography of Terror Museum, Pergamon Museum, Guided Walking Tour of Berlin Wall Memorial, *Potsdam Day-trip including Sanssouci Palace (Shadow Tour*

only)

LEIPZIG – Guided Walking Tour, Bach Museum

DRESDEN – Guided Walking Tour

PRAGUE – Guided Walking Tour including the Castle District, Terezin Concentration Camp, Kunta Hora Day-

trip including Church of St. Barbara and the Sedlec Ossuary (Shadow Tour only)

VIENNA – Guided Coach/Walking Tour, Central Cemetery, Haus der Musik, Schönbrunn Palace

Performance arrangements as follows (ALL venues are currently confirmed and being held):

BERLIN – Concert at Berliner Philharmonie (Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra) – shared

with the Junge Philharmonie Reinickendorf

BERLIN – Concert at Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church (Choir) – shared with the Jugendchor der Deutschen

Oper

LEIPZIG – Concert at St. Nicholas Church (Choir) – shared with the Konzertchores des Rutheneum, Gera

DRESDEN – Concert at Kulturpalast (Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra) – shared with the

Symphonic Wind Orchestra from the Heinrich-Schütz-Konservatorium

PRAGUE – Concert at Dvořák Hall (Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra) – shared with the

Smichov Filharmony

PRAGUE – Concert at SS Simon and Jude Church (Choir) – shared with the Pěvecký sbor Evropská Choir

VIENNA – Concert at St. Stephen's Cathedral (Choir)

VIENNA – Concert at Musikverein (Symphonic Wind Ensemble / Symphony Orchestra) – shared with the

Landesjugendsinfonieorchester Steiermark

- Stands, string basses, and percussion as required
- Piano at all concerts (instrumental and choral)
- Choral Risers as required for each choral concert
- **7** Tips to Drivers / Tour Leaders / Local Guides
- Certificate of Liability Insurance (upon request)
- Taxes and tolls where applicable



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PACKAGE EXCLUSIONS:

- Ground Transportation from SFO upon return on July 6, 2020
- Baggage fees in excess of \$12,500 allocated for 2nd checked and overweight-oversize bags
- Meals not indicated in the itinerary including lunches and some dinners / Drinks at included dinners
- Additional Percussion / Equipment not detailed in "Inclusions" (such as additional string basses, harp, etc.)
- Passport/Visa processing fees (most US Passport holders do not require a visa to travel to Germany, Czech Republic, and Austria (for up to a 90 day stay)
- Items of a personal nature (laundry, room service, internet connection, telephone fee, mail, etc.)
- Instrument & Trip Cancellation Insurance



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NUMBER OF TRAVELERS: 292-321 Total Travelers

(including all music students, staff-chaperones, and shadow tour)

PACKAGE COST PER PERSON – STUDENTS / CHAPERONES

	CHECK DISCOUNT	REGULAR PRICE	
312-321 Total Travelers:	\$4,878.00	\$5,028.00	
302-311 Total Travelers:	\$4,898.00	\$5,048.00	
292-301 Total Travelers:	\$4,918.00	\$5,068.00	

Single Supplement (for chaperones): US \$820.00

PACKAGE COST PER PERSON - SHADOW TOUR

CHECK DISCOUNT	REGULAR PRIC
\$5,108.00	\$5,268.00
\$5,128.00	\$5,288.00
\$5,148.00	\$5,308.00
	\$5,108.00 \$5,128.00

Single Supplement: US \$820.00

SHADOW TOUR OWN AIR REDUCTION (see notes on next page): (\$1,250.00)

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

BY June 7, 2019 BY Sept. 6, 2019 BY Oct. 4, 2019 BY Nov. 8, 2019 BY Jan. 10, 2020 BY Feb. 7, 2020 BY March 6, 2020	Deposit: Progress Payment #1: Progress Payment #2: Progress Payment #3: Progress Payment #4: Progress Payment #5: Progress Payment #6:	US \$100 per person US \$400 per person US \$400 per person US \$400 per person US \$600 per person US \$600 per person US \$1,000 per person	Non-refundable (as of Aug. 1, 2019) 50% refundable to Oct. 3, 2019 50% refundable to Nov. 7, 2019 50% refundable to Jan. 9, 2020 50% refundable to Feb. 6, 2020 50% refundable to March 5, 2020 50% refundable to April 2, 2020
BY Feb. 7, 2020	Progress Payment #5:	US \$1,000 per person Balance in Full	50% refundable to March 5, 2020
BY March 6, 2020	Progress Payment #6:		50% refundable to April 2, 2020
BY: April 3, 2020	Final Payment:		50% refundable to April 15, 2020



SARATOGA HIGH SCHOOL Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, & Choir / Shadow Tour 2020 CENTRAL EUROPE PERFORMANCE TOUR Germany / Czech Republic / Austria June 21 to July 6, 2020

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NOTES:

- Payment Methods: accepted include check, money order, and cash to be eligible for the check discount pricing <u>all</u> <u>checks should be made out and returned to Saratoga Music Boosters</u>. The regular package pricing will apply when paying by credit card <u>credit card payments will be collected directly by World Projects</u>.
- Rooming Student / Chaperones: Each hotel will have different rooming configurations students may be placed in multi-share, triple, or double rooms as is required by each hotel / chaperones are based on double occupancy.
- Rooming Shadow Tour: Package cost is based on Shadow Tour members in double occupancy / single occupancy supplement is available. Family rooms may be available for those with children (depending on hotel availability) costs for family rooms vary from hotel to hotel. Once hotels are secured, WP will inform SHS of any reduced or additional cost for family rooms.
- **Required Forms:** All travelers will be required to submit signed liability waivers and medical authorization forms as issued by World Projects to participate in the tour.
- Shadow Tour Air Reduction: Shadow Tour members may arrange their own air (please note music students, staff, & chaperones must utilize group air). Those arranging their own air will be responsible for their own baggage fees and airport transfers in the US and Europe (should flight times not correspond with the group flights).
- Shadow Tour: Please note, cost is based on a minimum of 80 Shadow Tour members should there be less Shadow Tour members, Shadow Tour cost may be adjusted.