

# SAN DIEGO CIVIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA EUROPE AT ITS BEST

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# CONCERT TOUR CZECH REPUBLIC / AUSTRIA / ITALY



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A NETWORK FOR CULTURAL PRODUCTIONS

 $\mathsf{VIENNA} \cdot \mathsf{PRAGUE} \cdot \mathsf{SALZBURG} \cdot \mathsf{PORTOROZ} \cdot \mathsf{SAN} \; \mathsf{DIEGO}$ 



#### **DRAFT ITINERARY**

#### 24 JUN (FRI) / US Departure Day

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Departure from LAX Airport

#### 25 JUN (SAT) / EU Arrival Day, Prague

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Arrival at Prague Ruzyne International Airport. Meeting with the Conceptio staff and designated tour directors. Initial orientation drive ending at the local hotel where our informal meeting, welcome and first dinner are to take place.

Overnight at Hotel Duo Prague - or similar.

# 26 JUN (SUN) / Sightseeing Day, Prague

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After breakfast we leave for a half-day sightseeing tour focusing on the Old Town and Jewish Quarter. Visits to the Old City Hall and the Jewish Cemetary will be included. Free time for lunch (on own) and to individually explore the medieval corners and Art Nouveau quarters. Dinner will be served at a Knight´s theme restaurant in the Kampa quarter.

Overnight at Hotel Duo Prague - or similar.

# 27 JUN (MON) / Concert Day, Prague

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After breakfast our second part of the guided city tour takes us up to the Prague Castle area and the Mala Strana lanes. and for the concert crews to arrange all necessities at the concert site. After lunch (on own) the orchestra is scheduled for rehearsals at the Rudolfinum. Evening Concert Performance at the Rudolfinum followed by a first "launch party"/dinner in a local restaurant nearby.

Overnight at Hotel Duo Prague - or similar.



## 28 JUN (TUE) / Travel Day to Vienna

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Morning departure by motorcoaches to Vienna. En route we will stop at the Moravian capital of Brno for a lunch break (on own) in the historic center. Later afternoon arrival in Vienna, check in and dinner at the local hotel.

Evening check in and overnight at Hotel Ananas Vienna - or similar.

#### 29 JUN (WED) / Concert Day, Vienna

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Our first day in Vienna starts with an orientation drive along the Ringstrasse and into the first district where we meet our local guides for our tour of the Imperial city center including a visit of the Hofburg. After lunch (on own) the activities will be scheduled around rehearsal and preparations for tonight's concert. Concert at St.Othmar in the third district followed by an after-concert-dinner.

Overnight at Hotel Ananas Vienna - or similar.

#### 30 JUN (THU) / Sightseeing Day, Vienna

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Breakfast at hotel followed by a half day sightseeing tour of Schönbrunn Palace and a free afternoon to explore the Capital of Music. In the late afternoon we depart for the Viennese Woods and enjoy dinner at a typical Heurigen restaurant. Overnight at Hotel Ananas Vienna - or similar.

# 01 JUL (FRI) / Via Salzburg to Ossiach

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Early morning departure to Salzburg where local guides will give us an insight into the Mozart related sights prior to some free time for lunch (on own) in the historic center. The travel continues along the A10 highway into the Alps and the picturesque province of Carinthia. Dinner and late check in at Ossiach. Accommodation at the Ossiach Convent.

#### 02 JUL (SAT) / Ossiach

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After breakfast our excursion to nearby Landskron Castle will enable us to attend a breathtaking and educational Birds of Prey Show. Enjoy the great panoramic view of the Carnic and Julian Alps. In the afternoon we get ready for a casual performance at the concert hall of the Ossiach Music Academy. Dinner at a local restaurant. Accommodation at the Ossiach Convent.



## 03 JUL (SUN) / Via Lusari to Padova

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After breakfast we shall leave for the tri-border region of Tarvisio where Austria, Italy and Slovenia share one border and centuries of history. A cable car will take us to the top of Mount Lussari (4.300 feet) for a Service Participation with a short performance to follow at the Latin, Slavic and German pilgrimage church. Lunch is available at the Locanda II Convento. In the afternoon we proceed to the city of Padova where we will enjoy our first Italian Pizza.

Accommodation at the Sheraton Hotel Padova - or similar.

#### 04 JUL (MON) / Festival Day, Padova

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Breakfast at hotel followed by a half day sightseeing tour of the elegant city of Padova to see the Basilica di San Antonio, which still belongs to the Papal State and the one of Italy's oldest universities dating back to 1222. Free time for lunch (on own) before getting ready for tonight's concert. Our final musical mission is the concert at the hall of the International Music Festival in Padova with a special "pasta reception" to follow. Accommodation at the Sheraton Hotel Padova - or similar.

# 05 JUL (TUE) / Venice

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The entire day is reserved for our excursion to the bridges and canals of Venice. Boats await us for our entry into the Doge´s City and our local guides will take us to the most exciting sights. One of Venice´s tavern will accommodate us for the official farewell party. Nightly transfer back to Padova.

Accommodation at the Sheraton Hotel Padova - or similar.

#### 06 JUL (WED) / Departure Day

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Breakfast at the hotel, transfer to Venice Airport Mestre and departure to the US.



#### **SERVICES**

- 1 Total of 11 nights in superior tourist class // first class hotels in Prague (3), Vienna (3), Ossiach (2) and Padova (3) on basis share twins and triples with private facilities.
- 2 Total of 22 meals (11 breakfasts, 11 dinners).
- 3 Professional English speaking tour manager to accompany the group (one per motor-coach) throughout the entire concert tour.
- 4 Transfers and transportation by private, deluxe, air-conditioned motor-coach as well as cable car (Lusari) and private boat (Venice).
- 5 Comprehensive sightseeing, including the services of licensed local guides in Prague, Vienna, Salzburg, Padova and Venice. Whisperers on tour.
- 6 Entrance fees to the following sites: Old Town City Hall, Jewish Cemetary, Hradschin Castle (Prague), Hofburg, Schönbrunn Palace (Vienna), Landskron Fortress (Carinthia), Basilica, Universita (Padova).
- 7 Organization of a total of 3 concerts and 1 performance (Prague, Vienna, Ossiach and Padova) including rental of appropriate venues, all negotiations, permission, promotion, public relations, press releases, etc.
- 8 Professional stage manager to coordinate music activities and logistics on all concert days.
- 9 Instrument truck with professional driver throughout the tour.
- 10 Service charges, tips and taxes as related to hotels and restaurants.
- 11 3 arrangements free of charge (on land and air) with 80 paying passengers. One additional free of charge with 90 and more paying passengers.

#### **PRICES & CONDITIONS**

Price per person, sharing twin and triple rooms	\$ 2,349.00
Single Room Supplement	\$ 577,00
Estimated Air Fare round-trip (including all taxes)  Los Angeles - Prag  Venice - Los Angeles	\$ 1,585.00

Prices are based on a twin room occupancy and a minimum of 80 paying participants as well as on the following exchange rate: 1 USD = 0.88 EUR. Prices and/or services are subject to changes in case of excessive fluctuation of exchange rates (+/- 8 %).

We also offer "Exchange Rate Protection Plans" to lock-in the exchange rate for you.