



## MYA EUROPEAN CONCERT TOUR OPPORTUNITY

Paris – Versailles – Amsterdam – The Hague

June 10-22, 2013

*Tentative Itinerary*

### Monday evening, June 10

O'Hare to Charles De Gaulle Airport

### Arrive Paris, Tuesday, June 11

Bus to Versailles, students connect with host families

### Wednesday, June 12

Students possibly attend school with host students

### Thursday, June 13



Sightseeing in Paris, Possible Evening Jazz Concert at UNESCO Hall in Paris

### Friday, June 14



Possibly group tour of the Palace of Versailles - Evening Concert at Versailles Town Hall

**Saturday, June 15**



We will have a concert at this Castle at Vincennes, a Paris suburb where we will be presented by Musica Prima, before an opera production on their concert series.

**Sunday, June 16**



Afternoon Concert at Eglise de la Madeleine Church in Paris joined by the Versailles Youth Orchestra. This church offers a commanding position in Paris's near the Arch of Triumph, and is known as a venue for music performances.

**Monday, June 17**

Train or Bus to The Hague; check into Hotels

**Tuesday, June 18**

This will be a sightseeing day in the historical and culturally rich city of Amsterdam and additional performances for chamber music ensembles and jazz. Must do is the canal tour, and then the students can visit the museums: Van Gogh, Anne Frank House, the Rijksmuseum (best collection anywhere of the Dutch masters), Rembrandt's house, Dutch Resistance Museum, Jewish Historical Museum, or even the Hash, Marijuana and Hemp Museum.

**Wednesday, June 19**



Another day of sightseeing in Amsterdam and additional performances for chamber music ensembles and jazz.

**Thursday, June 20**



Evening Concert at Het Concert Gebouw, home of the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra of Amsterdam, considered by many to be the best symphony orchestra in the world.

**Friday, June 21**



We have been asked to do a concert on this pond. Yes, Festival Classique in The Hague sets up a floating 1200 seat stage and presents two evenings of concerts which are the highlight their festival which aims to bring classical music to new audiences in bold, unexpected places.

**Saturday, June 22**

Flight from Amsterdam back to O'Hare

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Tours are part of MYA's mission. Students bond on tours in special ways that don't happen at weekly rehearsals. They also learn what it is like to perform a series of concerts, not just one performance at Pick Staiger Concert Hall. Finally, their eyes open to whole new sights and insight into cultures different than our own.

This will be MYA's 9<sup>th</sup> International tour with a Tour Orchestra and/or Jazz Ensemble. We enjoy this and have gathered a lot of experience managing these concert tours. We love parents going along on tours, but they are not along in an official chaperone capacity. Chaperones/Student Leaders are selected from Alums based on needed instruments. We have a ratio of at least one chaperone to 8 students on international tours.

Dr D will take a Tour Orchestra of the following instrumentation:

|                 |               |                             |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 8 Violin I      | 3-4 Flutes    | 3-4 Trumpets                |
| 8 Violin II     | 3-4 Oboes     | 3-4 Trombones/Tuba          |
| 8-10 Viola      | 3-4 Clarinets | 1-3 Percussion depending on |
| 8-10 Cello      | 3 Bassoons    | final literature selection. |
| 5 Double Basses | 5-6 Horns     |                             |

Mr. Madsen hopes to have a Tour Jazz Big Band from members of Big Band and Jazz Orchestra:

|              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 5 Sax        | 1-2 Drummers | 1-2 Bassists |
| 3 Trombones  | 1-2 Pianists | 1-2 Guitars  |
| 4-5 Trumpets |              |              |

From these ensembles, we will also fill in the itinerary with chamber music and jazz combo performances in appropriate settings. Students will be selected in this order:

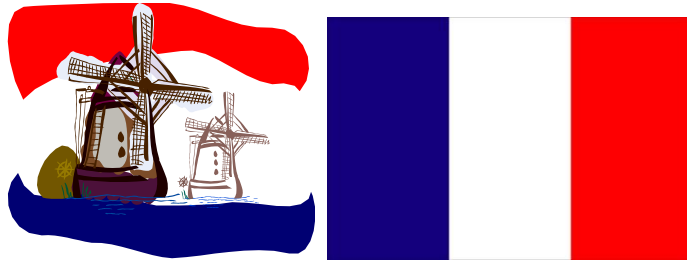
1. Current Symphony or Big Band Members
2. Current Jazz Orchestra or Concert Orchestra, going into 9<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall of 2013 or older
3. MYA Alums for needed instruments

**Tour cost will be \$3500 - \$3800**, depending on how many sign up and final costs for concert halls and housing. This includes airfare, ground transportation in Europe, lodging, two meals a day, sightseeing, concerts, instrument transportation and/or rental. Payment schedule for tour:

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|------------|---|
| July 31    | \$500 deposit applied to tour, non-refundable unless the tour is cancelled by MYA |
| October 1  | \$1,000   |
| December 1 | \$1,000   |
| February 1 | \$1,000   |
| May 1      | Remaining, if necessary   |

There will be a week of rehearsals before we leave, and we are making it possible for students to participate in MYA Summer Programs when they return at reduced tuition rates:

- Flute or Clarinet Camp - Add \$200 for 4 weeks of activities
- Chicago Chamber Music Camp (non-residential) - Add \$1,000 for 6 weeks of activities
- Chicago Chamber Music Camp (residential) Add \$1,400 for 6 weeks of activities
- Chicago Jazz Workshop - Add \$350 for 4 weeks of activities
- Evening Jazz Bands/Orchestras – No tuition charged!!!



### SIGN UP FORM

- My child will participate in the 2013 European Concert Tour.
- My \$500 non-refundable deposit is enclosed.
- I will send the \$500 deposit to the MYA office **by July 31, 2012.**
- My child is not able to participate in this concert tour for the following reason/s: \_\_\_\_ cost; \_\_\_\_ schedule conflict; \_\_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents:

- I/We would be interested in going along on this concert tour without chaperone responsibilities. Note that this will cost more because parents will be staying in hotels.  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- My child would be interested in adding participation in MYA's Summer Programs at the end of the tour.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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