

Preucil School String Orchestra

American Celebration of Music in the Baltics

Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania

Ms. Sonja Zeithamel, Director
 Mr. Anthony Arnone, Conductor
 June 18-27, 2017

Flight Information

Group Flight: 53 Seats

<u>Depart:</u>	<u>Return:</u>
Sunday, June 18, 2017 <i>Lufthansa Airlines Flight #431</i> Depart: Chicago (ORD).....4:05pm	Tuesday, June 27, 2017 <i>Lufthansa Airlines Flight #881</i> Depart: Tallinn (TLL) 1:45pm
Monday, June 19, 2017 Arrive: Frankfurt (FRA)..... 7:20am <i>Lufthansa Airlines Flight #886</i> Depart: Frankfurt (FRA) 10:20am Arrive: Vilnius (VNO)..... 1:20pm	Arrive: Frankfurt (FRA)..... 3:10pm <i>Lufthansa Airlines Flight #432</i> Depart: Frankfurt (FRA) 5:15pm Arrive: Chicago (ORD) 7:15pm

Baggage Fee Information

*Please note that baggage fees are **not** included in your tour cost and are subject to change.*

1st Bag Fee: \$0/each way 2nd Bag Fee: \$100/each way <i>(2nd bag is limited to instrument or musical equipment only)</i>

All baggage handling fees are at the discretion of the airline(s), and these charges are the responsibility of the individual traveler upon check-in at the airport.

Hotel Information

1. Vilnius.....June 19-22

Comfort Hotel LT

Rock'N'Roll - Vilnius

Kauno gatvė 14

Vilnius 03210

Phone: 011 370 525 05111

<http://comforthotel.lt>

2. Riga.....June 22-24

Albert Hotel

33 Dzirnavu Street

Riga, LV-1010

Phone: 011 371 6733 1717

<http://www.alberthotel.lv>

3. Tallinn.....June 24-27

Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa

Toompuiestee 27

10149 Tallinn

Phone: 011 372 628 8100

<https://www.parkinn.com/hotel-meriton-tallinn>

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June 18-27, 2017 (8 nights / 10 days)

Day 1 Sunday, June 18

4:05pm Depart Chicago via Lufthansa Airlines Flight #431 to Vilnius, Lithuania

Day 2 Monday, June 19 Vilnius (B,D)

7:20am Arrive in Frankfurt

10:20am Depart Frankfurt via Lufthansa Airlines Flight #886

1:20pm Arrive in Vilnius

Meet your MCI Tour Manager, Jolita Auglyte, who will assist your group to awaiting chartered motorcoach

Check-in to the Comfort Hotel LT Rock'N'Roll - Vilnius

7:00pm Evening Welcome Dinner and overnight at your hotel

Day 3 Tuesday, June 20 Vilnius (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

9:00am Enjoy a morning city tour including Cathedral Square, Presidential Palace Square, Vilnius University, gothic corner with the churches of St. Anne and St. Bernardine, the old Jewish ghetto, Town Hall Square, and Gates of Dawn

Lunch, on own

4:00pm Set-up and rehearsal at St. Catherine's Church

6:00pm Break to allow audience to enter

6:30pm *Performance at St. Catherine's Church in Vilnius as part of the American Celebration of Music in Lithuania (one hour)*

8:00pm Dinner at Restaurant Dublis

Return to your hotel for overnight

Day 4 Wednesday, June 21 Vilnius / Trakai (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

9:00am Half-day guided excursion to Trakai, former capital of the Grand Duke of Lithuania, surrounded by three lakes, known as the biggest Karaite minority town. Visit the 15th century insular castle

Lunch, on own

Continue to Kaunas

4:00pm Arrive at Kaunas Cultural Centre for set-up and rehearsal

6:00pm Break to allow audience to enter

6:30pm *Performance with Kaunas Suzuki at Kaunas Cultural Centre as part of the American Celebration of Music in Lithuania*

8:00pm Dinner at Restaurant Senieji Rusiai

Return to your hotel in Vilnius for overnight



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Day 5	Thursday, June 22	Vilnius / Riga	(B,L,D)
	Breakfast at the hotel		
	Hotel check-out and load motorcoaches		
9:00am	Morning departure to Riga. On the way through the natural countryside of Lithuania with its wide open views, you will visit the famous Hill of Crosses, with over 50,000 crosses built from different materials		
1:00pm	Lunch included at Restaurant Balta Maja		
	Continuing to Riga, stop in Rundale for a short excursion to Rundale Palace, a baroque jewel designed by Italian architect F.B. Rastrelli, who is known for his world famous Hermitage palace in St. Petersburg		
	Check-in to the Albert Hotel		
7:00pm	Dinner at your hotel and overnight		
Day 6	Friday, June 23	Riga	(B,D)
	Breakfast at the hotel		
9:00am	Morning excursion through Riga visiting the old town, surrounded by a water channel, with the famous Dome cathedral, St. John and St. Peter churches, the Freedom Monument, National Opera, Parliament, Castle and the cozy spacious squares, and the remarkable Art Nouveau district		
	Lunch, on own		
1:30pm	Return to the hotel for time at leisure		
	Transfer to St. John's Church		
4:30pm	Set-up and rehearsal at St. John's Church		
5:30pm	Break to allow audience to enter		
6:00pm	<i>Performance at St. John's Church in Riga as part of the American Celebration of Music in Latvia (one hour)</i>		
8:00pm	Dinner at Restaurant Salve		
	Return to your hotel for overnight		
Day 7	Saturday, June 24	Riga / Tallinn	(B,L,D)
	Breakfast at the hotel		
	Hotel check-out and load motorcoaches		
9:00am	Transfer to Tallinn. On the way stop in Gauja National park, surrounded by hilly river banks and sandy caves. Visit the 13th century Turaida castle, built under the order of Teutonic knight and Riga's bishop		
12:30pm	Lunch included at Restaurant Kungu Rija		
	Continue towards Pärnu, the summer capital of Estonia. Walk at the white sandy beach		
	Transfer to Tallinn		
	Check-in to the Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa		
7:00pm	Dinner at your hotel and overnight		
Day 8	Sunday, June 25	Tallinn	(B,D)
	Breakfast at the hotel		
9:00am	Morning tour through Tallinn visiting the upper (Toompea fortress and Parliament, Orthodox and Lutheran cathedrals, panoramic viewpoint) and lower (Town Hall square, Merchant Guild Houses) parts of the old town. During the city tour you will also pass the beautiful Kadriorg Park with its palace, Russalka monument, and Tallinn Song Festival Grounds		
	Lunch, on own		



Transfer to The White Hall of the House of the Blackheads
 4:30pm Set-up and rehearsal at The White Hall of the House of the Blackheads
 5:30pm Break to allow audience to enter
 6:00pm **Performance at The White Hall of the House of the Blackheads in Tallinn as part of the American Celebration of Music in Estonia (one hour)**
 8:00pm Dinner at D.O.M. Restaurant
 Return to your hotel for overnight

Day 9 Monday, June 26 Tallinn (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel
 9:00am Morning excursion to Lahemaa National Park. Visit the ethnographical village in Altja, together with the coastal villages of Vosu and Kasmu. To get the most of your day, visit the famous Palmse manor, an intact manor ensemble dating back to the end of the 18th and the beginning of the 19th century
 Lunch, on own
 Afternoon at leisure for sightseeing, shopping or other activities
 7:00pm Evening Farewell Dinner and Entertainment at Restaurant Maikrahv
 Return to your hotel for overnight

Day 10 Tuesday, June 27 Depart for home (B)

Breakfast at the hotel
 Hotel check-out and load motorcoaches
 11:30am Transfer to Tallinn's International Airport for return flight
 1:45pm Depart Tallinn via Lufthansa Airlines Flight #881
 3:10pm Arrive in Frankfurt
 5:15pm Depart Frankfurt via Lufthansa Airlines Flight #432
 7:15pm Arrive in Chicago

This is a very flexible itinerary. Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.

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