

YOSA's "Great Tour of China" Sign-Up Form

Yes, I am interested in joining you for the international tour. Please find enclosed my \$300 deposit.

Name:

Address:

- Student Parent/Donor

I wish to pay the \$300 down payment via:

- Check Credit Card

Card No:

Exp: Name on Card:

I understand that \$150 of my \$300 down payment is non-refundable. Only cancelations received in writing on or before December 18, 2009 will be eligible for a refund of \$150.

YOSA reserves the right to limit who travels as part of the tour group. Students who are disruptive and put themselves or the rest of the traveling group in danger during the trip will be sent home at the parents' expense.

Signature (parent/guardian):

Date:

Send completed form to:

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YOSA Tour History

In 1985, under the visionary leadership of Evelyn Berg (President of the Board of Directors) and the artistry of Music Director Terence Frazor, YOSA took its first international tour. The goals were to provide a unique and life-changing experience for the students in the orchestra, expand their musical professionalism and promote San Antonio, Texas and the United States to audiences in foreign countries. Their legacy was to establish a regular touring cycle for YOSA (every three years since 1995) and to provide dozens of students the experience of a lifetime. YOSA's eighth international tour takes the orchestra to a new continent.

1985	Romania, Hungary, Austria	<i>Terence Frazor</i>
1989	Poland, Hungary, Austria	<i>Terence Frazor</i>
1995	Germany	<i>Geraldo Edelstein</i>
1998	Australia	<i>Brendan Townsend</i>
2001	France	<i>Eugene Dowdy</i>
2004	Italy, Austria	<i>David Mairs</i>
2007	Finland, Estonia, Russia	<i>Marlon Chen</i>
2010	China	<i>Troy Peters</i>



YOUTH ORCHESTRAS
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The Great Tour of CHINA

BEIJING • SHANGHAI • HONG KONG
June 16th—28th, 2010



YOSA performs at the beautiful Kapella Concert Hall in St. Petersburg, Russia



YOSA students in front of the Church of Spilt Blood in St. Petersburg—July 2007



YOSA's Eighth International Concert Tour

Led by Music Director TROY PETERS

Join us for a trip of a life time! On our tour to China, you will see the legacy of China's 5,000 years of civilization and the excitement of one of the world's most dynamic and fastest growing economies. YOSA's students will perform in a country which is thirsty for classical music and eager to meet you. YOSA's "The Great Tour of China" will be a trip you will not want to miss!

Cost: \$300 Down Payment* to secure your place on the tour, plus one of the following nine-month payment schedules:

Student price: \$3,595
Parent/Donor price: \$4,195

Monthly payments due on the **20th** of each month.
Parent/Donor side tour option offers more flexibility in itinerary and guarantee of single or double room assignment.

Price includes:

- All transportation
- Hotel accommodations (3 star or better)
- Two or three meals per day
- Four concert performances
- Instrument Transportation
- Local tour guide of highest quality
- Professional tour management provided by American Classic Tours and Festivals



The Erhu, traditional Chinese violin



Itinerary

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| Day 1: | June 16 | Depart San Antonio |  |
| Day 2: | June 17 | Beijing
<i>We will arrive in the early evening and transfer to the hotel.</i> | |
| Day 3: | June 18 | Beijing
<i>Visit the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square and the Summer Palace. Delicious Peking Duck evening meal.</i> | |
| Day 4: | June 19 | Beijing —performance at Beijing Concert Hall. <i>Visit Olympic sites and get ready to climb the Great Wall of China!</i> | |
| Day 5: | June 20 | Beijing to Shanghai (train)
<i>Morning visit to National Academy of Chinese Theater Arts and "Old Beijing." Transfer to train station for an overnight trip to Shanghai! A unique experience!</i> | |
| Day 6: | June 21 | Shanghai
<i>Visit the Museum of Traditional Musical Instruments. In the evening, enjoy the famous acrobatic show after dinner.</i> | |
| Day 7: | June 22 | Shanghai
<i>Visit Yu Garden, the Bund (the birthplace of Shanghai) and visit the Shikumen Museum of Silk Workshop.</i> | |
| Day 8: | June 23 | Shanghai - Tour and performance at Shanghai World Expo. | |
| Day 9: | June 24 | Shanghai to Hangzhou (flight)
Performance in Hangzhou.
<i>Visit Wuzhen Watertown. Wuzhen has a history of more than 1,000 years!</i> | |
| Day 10: | June 25 | Hangzhou to Shenzhen (flight)
<i>Guided tour of West Lake, followed by flight to Shenzhen.</i> | |
| Day 11: | June 26 | Shenzhen to Hong Kong (bus)—performance
<i>We will explore Hong Kong during the day before a join performance with the Hong Kong Youth Symphony.</i> | |
| Day 12: | June 27 | Hong Kong
<i>Explore Asia's modern financial capital.</i> | |
| Day 13: | June 28 | Arrive in San Antonio with stories to share! | |

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: *Are there any costs in addition to the advertised fee?*

A: You will be responsible for additional meals you may want (occasionally lunch), costs associated with obtaining a passport and visa (usually about \$110) and money for souvenirs.



The Great Wall of China

Q: *Can I purchase tour insurance for my trip?*

A: If you would like to purchase additional health insurance during your trip, our tour agency has recommended the following companies for tour insurance:

Access America www.accessamerica.com
Travel Guard www.travelguard.com
Insure My Trip www.insuremytrip.com

Q: *What about my instrument?*

A: Most instruments will be carry-on luggage. Some larger instruments can be packed securely and go as checked baggage. YOSA intends to rent percussion and bass instruments. There is no additional charge for students with instruments which need to be rented.

Q: *Will there be fundraising activities?*

A: YOSA parents are strongly encouraged to lead fundraising activities.



Please call us in the office if you have additional questions. We will be happy to answer them. (210-737-0097)