

Join the MYO Choral and Orchestral programs on an exciting concert tour to fascinating Spain with visits to the cities of Madrid, Toledo, Granada, Malaga, Valencia and Catalonian Barcelona.

Begin the tour in Madrid; the capital city. See the Plaza Mayor, El Retiro Park and Puerto del Sol. Visit Toledo, the dramatic medieval walled city of El Greco.

Travel to Granada to participate in the International Festival of Music and Dance. Tour the Alhambra Palace and perform in the Auditorio Manuel de Falla.

Continue to Valencia, a musical city that is a portrait of traditional Spain infused with eclectic modern architecture.

Conclude the tour in Barcelona where you see the influence of Gaudi and Picasso. See the Sagrada Familia, La Rambla, Gothic Quarter, Olympic sites and glitzy port.

Perform concerts throughout the tour and return with memories to last a lifetime!

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# THE METROPOLITAN YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF NEW YORK

**CHORAL AND ORCHESTRAL PROGRAMS** 

## A GRAND TOUR TO SPAIN

Granada International Festival of Music and Dance

# MADRID | TOLEDO | GRANADA MALAGA | VALENCIA | BARCELONA

July 6-19, 2016

## **TOUR PRICING:**

\$4250 PER PERSON (DISCOUNT PRICE FOR PAYMENT BY CHECK)

\$4400 PER PERSON (FULL PRICE FOR PAYMENT BY DEBIT/CREDIT CARD)



### ITINERARY

#### Day 1 Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Depart on your transatlantic flight to Madrid, Spain. Inflight

#### Day 2 Thursday, July 7, 2016

**Arrival Madrid** 

Morning arrival at Madrid International Airport. Meet your tour managers. Begin with a panoramic tour to see some of the Madrid landmarks such as Plaza Espana, El Retiro Park, and Puerta del Sol. Enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel this evening. Inflight B/D

#### Day 3 Friday, July 8, 2016

Madrid

Enjoy a morning rehearsal at a local venue. Afterwards, have time for lunch and then visit the El Prado Museum. It features one of the world's finest collections of European art, dating from the 12th century to the early 19th century, based on the former Spanish Royal Collection, and unquestionably the best single collection of Spanish Art in all of Spain. Enjoy a stunning Tapas & Flamenco Dinner Show this evening in the heart of Madrid. B/D

#### Day 4 Saturday, July 9, 2016

El Escorial | Segovia | Madrid

Travel out of Madrid to visit *El Escorial*, the palace of San Lorenzo built by Phillip II in 1563. Nearby, see the Valley of the Fallen with a gigantic 500-foot cross commemorating those who died in the 1936 Spanish Civil War. General Franco is buried here along with 40,000 soldiers. We also visit the historic town of Segovia with time for a guided walk and lunch. Rehearsal, dinner and formal concert in El Espinar. Return to Madrid. B/D

#### Day 5 Sunday, July 10, 2016

Madrid | Toledo | Granada

Today, check out and depart for the ancient city of Toledo, once the medieval capital of Castile and home to the artist El Greco. Enjoy a guided walking tour of the city and have time for lunch near the Zocodover Square (Old Market Square). When ready, we will continue south to Granada where you will check into the hotel, have time to relax, and then enjoy dinner.

#### Day 6 Monday, July 11, 2016

Granada

Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Granada. Take a walk into the Old Town where you can enjoy lunch in small groups. See the Albaicin and Sacramonte areas of the city as well. Possible afternoon rehearsal in preparation for the festival performance. Enjoy a group dinner in the Albaicin with views of the illuminated Alhambra. B/D

#### Day 7 Tuesday, July 12, 2016

Granada

Morning guided tour of the 14th century Alhambra Palace and its exquisite Moorish architecture. Nearby are the Generalife Gardens, a wonderland of refreshing fountains and a marvel of Moorish engineering. MYO closes the 2016 Granada International Festival of Music and Dance with a concert in the Auditorio Manuel de Falla. near the Alhambra. Dinner after the concert. B/D

## Day 8 Wednesday, July 13, 2016

Malaga | Antequera | Granada

Travel to the Costa del Sol and enjoy a relaxing morning at the beach. Take time to get lunch and spend some time on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. Travel to Antequera for dinner and an evening concert at La Real Colegiata Church. Late return to Granada following the concert. B/D



#### Depart from New York-JFK Day 9 Thursday, July 14, 2016

Granada | Valencia

Depart from Granada for Valencia. Today is the longest travel day of the tour and we will make stops for sightseeing and lunch en route to Valencia. Upon arrival, check in at your hotel and enjoy dinner at a traditional local restaurant.

#### Day 10 Friday, July 15, 2016

Valencia

Enjoy a morning sightseeing tour of Valencia, which has a rich musical heritage. See the Palau de la Musica and enjoy Valencia's stunning modern architecture. Evening concert in the Palau de Musica or in the Auditorium of Lliria.

#### Day 11 Saturday, July 16, 2016

Valencia | Barcelona

Check out and depart for Barcelona. Upon arrival, see Montjuic, the Olympic Park, Columbus Monument, the elegant tree-lined Las Ramblas and nearby Placa de Catalunya. Marvel at the architecture inspired by Gaudi. Check into the hotel. Evening visit as a group by Metro to Las Ramblas. B/D

#### Day 12 Sunday, July 17, 2016

Barcelona

A guided Barcelona city-tour shows you the historic buildings along Paseo de Gracia, the Sagrada Familia and Parc Guell, both inspired by Gaudi, and the Gothic cathedral of Santa Eulalia. In the evening, travel to El Vendrell for a concert as part of the Pau Casal – International Festival. B/D

#### Day 13 Monday, July 18, 2016

Barcelona

Today we will spend the morning in the Gothic Quarter. Walk the narrow streets of this historic area and tour the Palau de Musica. Get lunch and have time to visit the Picasso Museum if you wish. Return to the hotel in the late afternoon and then enjoy a farewell dinner in the glitzy port area. B/D

#### Day 14 Tuesday, July 19, 2016 Barcelona | Return to USA Travel to the Barcelona Airport where you check in for the return flights to the United States. Clear U.S. Customs and

arrive home in the early evening. B/Inflight



## TOUR FEATURES

- Round trip airfare from New York (JFK) to Madrid/Barcelona
- Transportation by deluxe motorcoach in Spain
- Professional tour manager/guide on each motor coach
- Local guides in Toledo, Granada, Valencia, Barcelona
- Guided tour of the Alhambra Palace in Granada
- 12-nights hotel in twin occupancy at 3&4 star hotels
- Breakfast buffet daily at the hotels
- Dinner daily at hotels and local restaurants
- Sightseeing as outlined in the tour itinerary
- Admissions as required per the itinerary
- Flamenco dinner show in Madrid
- Granada International Festival participation
- · Pau Casal International Festival participation
- 5-Concert performances with local promotion
- Gratuities to guides | drivers | local escorts
- Travel Guard Group Protection Plan Insurance
- Online tour registration
- Individual invoicing and billing for each traveler
- Payment by debit/credit card pricing options
- Complete set of travel documents
- Land-only options available if extending

## TOUR CONTACTS

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## ONLINE REGISTRATION

TOUR REGISTRATION IS OPEN AND WILL CLOSE JANUARY 4, 2016.

#### **REGISTRATION SITE:**

WWW.REGONLINE.COM/1621MYO

**ACCESS CODE IS: 1621** 

USE A PARENT E-MAIL FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES AND FORMAL PASSPORT MATCHING NAME INFORMATION. ALL FUTURE TOUR AND FINANCE COMMUNICATION WILL BE SENT TO THIS ADMINISTRATIVE E-MAIL ADDRESS.

YOU WILL BE ASKED TO SELECT EITHER "PAYMENT BY CHECK" OR "PAYMENT BY DEBIT/CREDIT CARD." YOUR TOUR INVOICE WILL REFLECT THE SELECTED TOUR PRICE. ALL PAYMENTS WILL BE COLLECTED BY GRANDTOURS AND PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY MYO.

## TOUR FINANCES

#### **TOUR PRICING:**

\$4250 PER PERSON (PAYMENT BY CHECK) \$4400 PER PERSON (PAYMENT BY DEBIT/CREDIT CARD) \$550 SINGLE OCCUPANCY ROOM SUPPLEMENT (ADULTS ONLY)

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

 14-days after receiving invoice
 \$250\*

 January 4, 2016
 \$1500

 March 1, 2016
 \$1500

 May 2, 2016
 Final Balance

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

Deposit to January 4, 2016 \$100 cancel fee
January 5, 2016 to March 1, 2016 \$500 cancel fee
March 2, 2016 to May 2, 2016 \$1500 cancel fee
May 3, 2016 to departure No Refund

Check payments may be sent to the address on your tour invoice and we ask that you list the traveler's name on the memo line of the check. We can split the amount of a single check over multiple passengers if you wish:

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