

ART & DESIGN PROGRAMMES

CHINA – Visiting Beijing & Xian



Our 9 day tour to China includes a master class on Chinese art & design at a School of Excellence, art classes at local schools and a visit to the studio of a Master Artist.

Day 1 - Depart on the scheduled flights to Beijing.

Day 2 - Arrive Beijing and transfer to 3* hotel.

PM – Walk in Tiananmen Square.

Programme and city orientation talk.

Day 3

AM – Visit the Forbidden City

PM – Visit to the School of Excellence in Beijing to meet students and teachers for a master class on Chinese art & design.

Evening – Performance by Chinese acrobats.

Day 4

AM – Visit to The Great Wall of China.

PM – Return to the hotel, attend a session on Chinese art with demonstrations.

Day 5

AM – Tour of the Summer Palace.

PM – Visit to a Master Artist's Studio.

Overnight train to Xian.

Day 6 - Arrive Xian at 7am, transfer to hotel for breakfast.

AM – City Tour including the ancient city wall.

PM – The Wild Goose Pagoda and a visit to a fine arts class in a Childrens Palace (for Chinese students with a strong art interest).

Day 7

AM – Tour to Terracotta Army.

PM – Overnight train back to Beijing.

Day 8 - Arrive Beijing at 7am, transfer to hotel.

AM – Visit to an art exhibition.

PM – Dinner with pupils and staff from the School of Excellence and farewell Concert – opportunity to enjoy all kinds of Chinese music/Chinese instruments.

Day 9- Departure for flight back to the UK.

Cost from £1445 per person (*1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils*) for fully inclusive programme during February low season – contact us for more details.

TBILISI - GEORGIA



Our 5 night trip to Georgia gives your students the opportunity to meet with Georgian pupils and attend classes at both public & private schools. The tour also includes an element of sightseeing and some spectacular scenery.

Day 1- Depart on scheduled flights to Tbilisi

Day 2

Early morning arrive in Tbilisi and transfer to hotel.

Sightseeing tour including the stunning Georgian National Art Museum.

Day 3

Visit both a public and private school for participation in classes with the students.

Afternoon visit the ancient capital of Mtskheta (3000 years old) and home of the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Jvari church and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral.

Day 4

Visit the town of Gori - the heart of Kartli region and visit Stalin's Museum and Uplistsikhe Cave Town (1st millennium BC) - where the Great Silk Road used to pass.

Day 5

Morning free for exploring the city at leisure.

Afternoon visit to a pottery workshop where you will take part in the process itself and also see some fine samples made by young Georgians.

Day 6

Visit David Gareja cave complex (6th century) located in a stark, semi-desert landscape. Visit Lavra Monastery and walk (approx 50 mins) up to Udabno Monastery to enjoy its wonderful painted caves and dramatic views across to Azerbaijan.

Day 7 - Transfer to the airport for flight to the UK.

Cost from £1199 per person (*1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils*) – contact us for more details.

VILNIUS “ The European Capital of Culture 2009”



Our 4 night programme offers contact and links with local schools, pupils and teachers as well as visits to the Museum of Applied Art of the Lithuanian Art Museum. the Vilnius Picture Gallery and the Contemporary Art Centre.

Day 1 - Depart on scheduled flight to Vilnius. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your 3* hotel.

Day 2

Morning city tour.

Afternoon excursion to Trakai, former capital of the Grand Duke of Lithuania.

Day 3

Morning excursion to Kernave, one of the oldest towns of Lithuania.

Afternoon excursion to the oldest quarter of Vilnius, called the Republic of Artists – “Užupis”. Visit the Museum of Applied Art of the Lithuanian Art Museum.

Day 4

Morning excursions to the Vilnius Picture Gallery which shows, in chronological order, the development of painting in Lithuania and the Contemporary Art Centre.

Day 5 - Free time until transfer to the Airport for flight home.

Cost from £695 per person – 1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils.

MOSCOW - 4 nights



Our Art tour to Moscow includes a unique opportunity to meet the art director and teachers/pupils at the Sergei Andriaka Moscow Watercolour School and have a trial lesson at

the School. The tour also includes the Tretyakov Gallery accompanied by the curator and the Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts.

Day 1 - Depart on scheduled flight to Moscow. You will be met on arrival and transferred to your hotel.

Day 2

AM : City tour.

PM : Visit the Tretyakov Gallery accompanied by the curator (subject of excursion depend on the subject of group's interest).

Day 3

AM : Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts

PM : Sergei Andriaka -Moscow Watercolour School, with a museum exhibition centre
(which illustrates the work of the watercolour school on open days at which master-classes and trial lessons are carried out, video materials are shown, and competitions on the history of art are run, as well as meetings with the art director and teachers).

TRIAL LESSON

Day 4

AM : Tour of the Kremlin including the Armory chamber and Kremlin Cathedrals

PM: Tour of the Moscow metro.

Day 5 - Free time until departure transfer to Moscow Airport for flight to the UK.

Cost from £995 per person – 1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils.

CUBA (visiting Havana, Vinales & the Sierra del Rosario Biosphere)



Why not visit Cuba and see first hand the growing number of independent and commercial art galleries including the contemporary art centre “Wilfredo Lam” and the Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes including the Palacio de Bellas Artes which spans five centuries of Cuban art.

DAY 1 | Depart from London on scheduled flights to Havana. Transfer on arrival to the Hotel Telegrafo or similar in the old city of Havana.

DAY 2 | Sightseeing tour of Old Havana in the morning and modern Havana in the afternoon including contemporary art centre “Wilfredo Lam”.

Overnight in Havana

DAY 3 | AM. Visit to the Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, including the Palacio de Bellas Artes which spans five centuries of Cuban art with an extensive collection from the 20th century. PM. Visit the Museo de Arte Colonial set in a former Governor’s Colonial Residence. **Overnight in Havana.**

DAY 4 | AM. Visit Museo de Artes Decorativos housed in the former residence of one of the wealthiest Cuban women of the twentieth century. Major works of art include two paintings by Hubert Robert.

PM. Free time to explore arts and crafts markets. **Overnight in Havana.**

DAY 5 | Visit Las Terrazas Eco Community in the Sierra del Rosario Biosphere and visit the local school. | **Overnight in the area.**

DAY 6 | Guided walk in Vinales Valley. Free time. | **Overnight in the area.**

DAY 7 | Return to Havana. Free time at leisure. | **Overnight in Havana.**

DAY 8 | Departure to Havana Airport for overnight flight back to the UK.

DAY 9 | Arrive London.

Cost from £1295 per person- 1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils.

Please contact us for full details of what’s included.

ST PETERSBURG



Our Art tour to St Petersburg gives your pupils the opportunity to visit the famous Hermitage Museum with its collection of over 2,500 paintings and 10,000 drawings acquired by Catherine the Great between 1764 and 1774. The tour will also take the key sights of the city.

Day 1 - Depart on scheduled flight to St Petersburg. You will be met on arrival and transferred to your hotel.

Day 2

AM : City tour.

PM : Visit the Russia Museum Art Gallery.

Day 3

Full day excursion to the Hermitage Museum.

Day 4

Full day excursion to Pushkin & Pavlovsk including lunch.

Day 5 - Free time until departure transfer to the Airport for flight to the UK.

Cost from £775 per person – 1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils.

Contact us for more details of what's included.