

## PERFORMING ARTS TOURS

### CHINA : 9 days visiting *Beijing & Xian*



In view of the growing importance of links with China, we are offering a performing arts based programme featuring an introduction to a School of Excellence in Beijing with the opportunity to perform for and with Chinese pupils. The programme will also include some sightseeing tours.

**Day 1** -Depart London on scheduled airline services to Beijing

#### **Day 2**

Arrive Beijing and transfer to your 3\* hotel.

**PM** – Walk in Tiananmen Square.

Programme and city orientation talk.

#### **Day 3**

**AM** – Forbidden City and a visit to the Old Streets (Hutongs) showing the traditional Chinese way of living.

**PM** –Afternoon to the School of Excellence in Beijing to meet students and teachers for a master class on Chinese music and dance.

**Evening** – Performance by Chinese acrobats.

#### **Day 4**

**AM** – Visit to The Great Wall of China.

**PM** – Return to the hotel, attend a Chinese music/dance performance.

**Evening** – Gongfu (martial arts) performance.

#### **Day 5**

**AM** – Tour of the Summer Palace.

**PM** – Joint performance with pupils from the School of Excellence.

Overnight train to Xian.

#### **Day 6**

Early morning arrive Xian and transfer to hotel for breakfast.

**AM** – City Tour including the ancient city wall.

**PM** – The Wild Goose Pagoda and an exhibition of traditional Chinese painting.

#### **Day 7**

**AM** – Tour to Terracotta Army.

**PM** – Overnight train back to Beijing.

#### **Day 8**

Early morning arrive Beijing and transfer to hotel.

**AM** – Visit a local neighbourhood in Beijing and to local peoples, homes as guests.

**PM** – Dinner with pupils and staff from the School of Excellence and farewell concert.

**Day 9** - Free time until departure to Beijing airport for flight back to the UK

*Prices start from £1495 per person, travelling during February low season - 1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils.*

*Please contact us for full details of what's included.*

**ARGENTINA** : 9 Days visiting : Buenos Aires & Iguazú



We are offering your pupils a unique opportunity to visit the home of the famous Tango! As well as learning to Tango your pupils will have opportunity to put on their own performances and perform with fellow pupils. They will learn about the education system in Argentina and have the tour rounded off by a 2 day tour to the spectacular Iguazú Falls.

**Day 1** - Late afternoon/evening departure on scheduled flights to Buenos Aires.

**Day 2**

Morning arrival at Buenos International Airport. Transfer to hotel.

**PM:** City tour.

**Day 3**

**AM:** Visit to a private bilingual secondary school for a presentation by the Music Department on aspects of their studies and visit to their facilities. Joint music rehearsals and informal performances by the group to the local school group at the school.

**PM:** Free time

**Day 4**

**AM:** Free time

**PM:** Visit to the foster girls' home to put on a performance followed by tea with the girls (approx 170 girls).

**Day 5**

**AM:** Visit to another bilingual private school for meeting and discussion with teachers and students on music education in Argentina, joint rehearsals and informal performance together.

**Late PM:** Visit to La Ventana Tango venue for a private tango lesson by professional tango dancers.

**EVE :** Dinner & Tango Show at "LA VENTANA"

**Day 6**

**AM:** Transfer to the domestic airport for a flight to Iguazú.

**PM:** Visit to the Brazilian side of the Iguazú National Park and walk long the edge of the river gorge and enjoy the diversity of views of the falls.

**Day 7**

Full day tour visiting the Argentine side of the Iguazú Falls. Take in the 90-metre Garganta del Diablo (Devil's Gorge) – probably the most spectacular of the 275 waterfalls that make up this astounding complex of cascades.

**Day 8**

**AM:** Transfer to the domestic airport for a flight to Buenos Aires. Transfer to the International Airport for your International flight to the UK.

**Day 9** - Arrival in the UK around lunch time.

**Cost:** *from £1735 per person during October - 1 free leader place per 10 paying pupils*

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