



National Festival of the States **BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

A unique musical opportunity for performance ensembles



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AN EXCLUSIVE CONCERT SERIES FESTIVAL

The National Festival of the States is an annual concert series developed by Music Celebrations in various cities throughout the United States. These performance tours are supported by local government offices, community organizations, tourist boards, and the like. Such affiliations offer a more memorable musical, cultural and educational experience for recommended ensembles (both instrumental and vocal) to perform in different venues in the most historic cities and celebrate the founding, history, and institutions of the United States! Music Celebrations International has been successfully organizing the National Festival of the States concert series in Boston, Massachusetts for the past 15 years.



By American standards, Boston is old! You can walk cobbled streets lit by gas lamps and visit sites integral to the American Revolution. This is the city of Paul Revere, Sam Adams, John Hancock and Elizabeth "Mother" Goose. By day, see a re-enactment of the Boston Tea Party or a game by the Red Sox, and at night attend a concert by the Boston Symphony or the Pops. Retrace Revere's ride to Concord and Lexington, or go to Salem to visit the House of Seven Gables and the Witch Museum. Have a memorable seafood dinner in historic Gloucester or Rockport on Cape Ann.

From its celebrated symbols of patriotism to its undiscovered neighborhoods, the sights and sounds of the nation's revolutionary birthplace inspire millions of visitors every year. Packed with famous sights, free attractions, and an endless calendar of special events, Boston offers year-round inspiring experiences.

Imagine your group performing at Quincy Marketplace, learning in a workshop at the New England Conservatory, Harvard, Berklee School of Music, or at Symphony Hall, participating in a service at historic Old North Church, playing pierside at the U.S.S. Constitution, or entertaining the lunch crowd at Copley Square. Perhaps your musicians would enjoy an impromptu recital at the John F. Kennedy Museum or on the Grand Staircase of the Massachusetts State House.

The National Festival of the States can make these possible for your performing ensemble! Participating groups are chosen on the basis of recommendation from state and national music educators, governors' and senators' offices and by audition. Selected groups perform in prestigious venues with maximum audience potential.



Everyone should experience Boston –
and the very best performing groups can, through the expertise of Music Celebrations International!

A director said this about his recent experience in Boston:

"The bus driver, tour manager, hotels and meals were all just wonderful. Everything that was set up in Boston was exactly what we wanted. All the details made it lovely and fun and I could not have asked for better. It was right on. All in all, it was a great experience and the kids had a wonderful time!!"

SAMPLE TOUR

3 Nights / 4 Days

Day One

Afternoon arrival in Boston

Meet your Tour Manager who will be with you for your entire stay in Boston

Narrated riding tour of Boston including sites along the Freedom Trail and tour of Boston's neighborhoods

Check into Marriott, Sheraton, or Hilton Hotel style property, or similar

Dinner at a local restaurant

Day Two

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning sightseeing includes a guided tour of Cambridge, stopping at Harvard University, then continuing to Lexington and Concord, battle sites of the Revolutionary War

Performance or clinic as part of the National Festival of the States

Lunch, on own

Visit the north shore of Boston to the town of Salem, infamous as the site of the Salem Witch Trials of 1692

Admission the House of Seven Gables

Weather and time permitting, take a stroll along the Salem waterfront

Performance as part of the National Festival of the States

Dinner at The Gloucester House Restaurant in Gloucester, Massachusetts

Return to Boston hotel

Day Three

Breakfast at the hotel

Depart for a self-guided tour of the USS Constitution and Bunker Hill

Lunch, on own

Independent walking tour of the Freedom Trail to include Faneuil Hall, Quincy Market, Paul Revere's House, and the Old North Church

Performance as part of the National Festival of the States

Quincy Market dinner at Cheers, Durgin Park, or other

OPTIONAL: Broadway-type show and/or Boston Harbor Cruise (additional cost)

Day Four

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Check out and board motorcoach for Plymouth, visiting the J.F.K. Library and Museum before stopping at Plymouth Rock for a photo opportunity of this Colonialist landing site

Entrance to the replica of the Mayflower and Plymouth Plantation

Lunch, on own

Afternoon departure for home



This itinerary is very flexible and will allow your ensemble to include other musical activities while in our Nation's Revolutionary birthplace, including attending a **Broadway-type show**, a **Boston Harbor Cruise**, or attending a **Boston Symphony Performance**.



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