



Celebrate Haydn Orchestra Festival

Commemorating the life and music of Franz Joseph Haydn during the 200th Anniversary of his passing

Standard Tour #I – Festival Itinerary (4 nights / 6 days)

Tuesday June 23, 2009

Depart from USA via scheduled air service, including full meal, beverage service and in-flight entertainment. The destination is Vienna, Austria.



Wednesday June 24th Vienna

Arrive in Vienna. Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who assists the group to the awaiting chartered motorcoach for a transfer to the hotel. En route, stop at Vienna's Central Cemetery to visit the grave sites of major composers with a wreath-laying. Then enjoy a panoramic tour of Vienna's highlights (lunch on own in the city center). Late afternoon hotel check-in. Evening Welcome Dinner and overnight.

Vienna is still considered the music capital of the world. It is a city of refined tastes, grace, style and unmatched artistic accomplishments. For a thousand years, Vienna was the capital of the far-flung Holy Roman and Hapsburg empires. Though its people and ways have changed, Vienna has retained its imperial monuments, not as reminders of past glories, but as living symbols of its present freedom.



Thursday June 25th Vienna

Take a guided tour of Historical Vienna that includes the Ringstraße, Imperial Palace, State Opera, Town Hall, Burgkapelle (venue for the Vienna Boys Choir), Palace Stables, Strauß Monument, and Schönbrunn Palace, built by the Habsburgs in imitation of Versailles. *Afternoon orchestra rehearsal.*



Friday June 26th Vienna / Eisenstadt

Take an excursion to Eisenstadt. Everything in Eisenstadt reminds one of the brilliant composer Haydn. Entrances are included to Esterhazy Palace with its Haydn'saal, where many of Haydn's works were premiered, to Haydn's House (now a museum), and to Haydn's church (where he is buried). Be enlightened by a Haydn impersonator who will give a lecture about the composer's life and times. *Possible short recital in the Haydn'saal.* Return to Vienna for dinner and overnight.



Saturday June 27th Vienna

Morning rehearsal. Afternoon/evening finale performance in the Konzerthaus.

Each orchestra will be required to be there for the performances before and after its own. The rest of the time is yours to enjoy the atmosphere, history and fun of Vienna. You may like to do some shopping or visit museums. Take the time to fulfill your heart's desires in musically historic Vienna. Your Tour Manager is at your disposal. Evening dinner on own.



Sunday June 28th Depart for home

Transfer to Vienna's International Airport for your return flight to the USA. Arrive home in the evening of the same day.



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