

American Celebration of Music in

Britain

An exclusive concert series for performance ensembles



Music Celebrations International
Concert Tours With Integrity



An Exclusive Concert Series

Great Britain offers American performing groups the widest possible range of performance possibilities, including cathedrals, parish churches, music colleges, community centers, pavilions, concert halls, and theaters.

Many American traditions of government, justice, religion, the arts (especially literature and music) have their roots in Britain. A journey to Britain is a discovery of our own past and this experience is enhanced by the sharing of music with appreciative audiences. A shared concert with local orchestras, choirs, brass bands, and wind ensembles is recommended as part of the American Celebration of Music in Britain.

Great Britain has a long history that has created traditions that will stand forever, but one notices a great forward-looking optimism in this land of Shakespeare, Milton, Dickens, Churchill, the Windsors, the Beatles, and the late Princess Diana.

The American Celebration of Music is a special annual performance-tour program, co-sponsored by local governments, music associations, community organizations, and tourist boards around the globe. In many countries this has developed into a prestigious, recognized, year-long concert-series festival. Recognition of this festival facilitates greater access to performance venues, official publicity, generally very successful concert arrangements, and the ability to touch local cultures in a way that may not be done through other affiliations. This equates to more meaningful musical and emotional experiences for participating performance ensembles.

A festival-tour experience in Great Britain offers a unique combination of music, history and heritage. Performance opportunities range from the most prestigious cathedrals (Westminster Abbey / St. Margaret's, Canterbury Cathedral, York Minster) to concert halls, castle grounds, theaters and historic churches.

Select American groups are invited to share their talents in the very surroundings where Benjamin Britten, Gustav Holst, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Edward Elgar, Hubert Parry, William Byrd, and numerous other famous composers shared theirs.



Sample Itinerary

STONEHENGE / CARDIFF /
GLOUCESTER / STRATFORD / WARWICK
OXFORD / WINDSOR / LONDON

DAY ONE: ARRIVE

Departure via scheduled air service to London

DAY TWO: STONEHENGE / CARDIFF

Arrive in London

Meet your MCI Tour Manager who will assist the group to awaiting chartered motorcoach for a transfer to Cardiff. Stop at Stonehenge, Europe's most famous prehistoric monument

Continue to Cardiff for late afternoon hotel check-in

Evening Welcome Dinner and overnight at hotel

DAY THREE: CARDIFF

Take a guided tour of Cardiff Castle and visit the Museum of Welsh Life where you will travel back in time and experience how life in Wales would have been in the past.

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DAY FOUR: CARDIFF / GLOUCESTER / STRATFORD WARWICK

Transfer to Stratford-upon-Avon stopping en route in Gloucester to visit the historic cathedral. Upon arrival, enjoy a tour of the Shakespeare properties such as his birthplace, Anne Hathaway's Cottage, and Holy Trinity Church.

Lunchtime performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Britain

Continue to Warwick

DAY FIVE: WARWICK / OXFORD / WINDSOR / LONDON

Transfer to London via Oxford to tour the world-famous town

Continue to Windsor for a tour of Windsor Castle, which is today England's largest castle

Continue to London

DAY SIX: LONDON

Take a guided tour of London which includes the districts of Kensington and Knightsbridge. Pass Westminster Abbey and visit Whitehall and Trafalgar Square, Big Ben, and the Houses of Parliament to Buckingham Palace, and possibly see the changing of the Guard. Visit St. Paul's Cathedral and the Tower of London

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DAY SEVEN: DEPART FOR HOME

Enjoy a day at leisure in London. Tour Manager is at the group's disposal. You may visit a museum, do some shopping, or take in the atmosphere of London

Evening Farewell Dinner and overnight

DAY EIGHT: DEPART FOR HOME

Transfer to one of London's airports for return flight



Potential Performance Venues

LONDON

St. James Piccadilly Church
Victoria Embankment Gardens
Hampton Court Palace
Bishopsgate Center
Southwark Cathedral
Trafalgar Square
Royal Parks

WINDSOR

Windsor Parish Church
Old Railway Station

CARDIFF / BRISTOL / BATH

Wales Millennium Center
Cardiff Castle
St. David's Hall

OXFORD

Oxford Town Hall

STRATFORD UPON-AVON

St. Andrew's Church
St. Mary's Church, Warwick
Pump Rooms Leamington Spa

YORK

St. Lawrence's Church

EDINBURGH

St. Giles
Canongate Kirk
Stirling Castle
Edinburgh Castle



Standard Performance Tours in Britain

Tour 1 5 Nights / 7 Days

5 nights in London with excursions to Windsor and Stratford

Tour 2 6 Nights / 8 Days

2 nights in Cardiff, 1 night in Stratford, 3 nights in London

Tour 3 7 Nights / 9 Days

2 nights in York, 2 nights in Stratford, and 3 nights in London

Tour 4 8 Nights / 10 Days

2 nights in Cardiff, 3 nights in Stratford, and 3 nights in London

Tour 5 7 Nights / 9 Days

3 nights in Edinburgh, 2 nights in Inverness, 1 night in Fort William, 1 night in Glasgow

Tour 6 9 Nights / 11 Days

3 nights in Edinburgh, 1 night in York, 2 nights in Stratford, 3 nights in London

*These and all other Standard Tours may be viewed on our website at www.musiccelebrations.com.
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