

# 2017 WFMT CLASSICAL MUSIC TOUR

To Leipzig & Berlin With Program Host, Carl Grapentine

May 10-20, 2017

\$5,995 / pp Double Occupancy

\$750
Single Supplement

#### **Price Includes:**

- Roundtrip Economy Airfare: Chicago/Leipzig and Berlin/Chicago (Business Class airfare available upon request)
- 4 Nights Deluxe Accommodations at Radisson Blu Leipzig
- 5 Nights Deluxe Accommodations at Sofitel Berlin
- **Sightseeing Tours** of Leipzig, Dresden, Eisenbach, Wittenberg, Berlin & Potsdam
- 5 Performances
- 9 Breakfasts, 1 Luncheon & 1 Dinner
- Private Motor Coach Transfers
- Complimentary Group Travel Insurance
- •WFMT Host, Carl Grapentine
- Travelex International Escort, Greg Pearson





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## Questions?

Contact Janet Thomas at (847) 519-4819 or email: janett@travelexinternational.com.

#### **DAILY ITINERARY**

Tentative schedule & performances subject to change.

#### **DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2017**

Depart Chicago O'Hare Airport on an afternoon flight to Berlin.

## **DAY 2: THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017**

Upon arrival in the morning, we will be met by our guide and private motor coach driver and taken to our hotel, the Radisson Blu, Leipzig. Rest and then meet for our Welcome Dinner at the hotel.

#### DAY 3: FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2017

After breakfast at the hotel, we will have a full-day excursion to Dresden. After our return to Leipzig, this evening's concert by the Gewandhaus Orchestra - Schubert/Bruckner.

## **DAY 4: SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2017**

Breakfast at the hotel and then meet for a walking tour of Leipzig, led by Carl Grapentine. This afternoon we will attend the Motet Service at Thomaskirche.

# DAY 5: SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017

Enjoy breakfast at our hotel and there is an optional opportunity to hear the Thomaskirche-Thomanerchor singing at the early service. Later this morning we will depart for Eisenach with a tour of the Bach Haus and Wartburg Castle.

## DAY 6: MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017

After breakfast at hotel tel will leave Leipzig to go to Berlin. We will have a stop for lunch and a visit in Wittenberg also known as "Lutherstadt" due to its close connection with Martin Luther and the dawn of the Protestant Reformation.

#### DAY 7: TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017

Breakfast at our hotel in Berlin. Today we will have a morning orientation tour of Berlin. Tonight we will attend a performance of Wagner's "Flying Dutchman" at the Deutsche Oper.

## **DAY 8: WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017**

Breakfast at the hotel and balance of the day at leisure to explore Berlin.

#### **DAY 9: THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017**

After breakfast at the hotel we will meet in the lobby of our hotel and depart for a visit to Potsdam, the Versailles of the North, known the world over as the former seat of the Prussian kings and summer residence of Frederick the Great. We will visit Frederick the Great's pastoral retreat "Sans Souci" with time to enjoy the gardens. Tonight we will meet for a pre-performance lecture by Carl Grapentine followed by a performance of the "Barber of Seville" at the Staatsoper Berlin.

#### DAY 10: FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2017

Breakfast at our hotel with morning at leisure. We will have our Farewell Lunch at the rooftop restaurant of the Reichstag which not only offers excellent cuisine, but also a breath-taking aerial view of Berlin. This evening we will hear a performance of the Berlin Philharmonic - R. Strauss/Rachmoninov/Shostakovich.

## DAY 11: SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017

After breakfast at the hotel, we will depart for the Berlin airport where we will check-in for our connection home to Chicago O'Hare.

# **Carl Grapentine**

Carl Grapentine is the host of the Morning Program on WFMT/ 98.7 FM, Chicago's Classical Fine Arts Station, weekdays from 6-10 a.m. Carl first joined WFMT in 1986 after thirteen years as the morning host of the classical music station in Detroit.

Carl presents pre-concert lectures for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Lyric Opera of Chicago, and the Music of the Baroque. He also performs as narrator with the Chicago Pro Musica and hosts concerts for numerous community orchestras and bands. He has been the host for the nationally-syndicated broadcast concerts of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra on the WFMT Fine Arts Network, and he hosts the National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis each spring.

An alumnus of the University Of Michigan School Of Music, Carl has been the "stadium voice" of the University of Michigan Marching Band for 44 seasons--his voice being heard on national telecasts of sixteen Rose Bowl games and numerous other bowl games. In 2006 he assumed additional duties as the game announcer at Michigan Stadium.

An accomplished conductor and singer, Carl has thirty years of experience as a church music director. Currently he sings in the choir of Grace Lutheran Church in River Forest, IL. He has also sung the national anthem for professional and collegiate sporting events at Wrigley Field, Comiskey Park, Tiger Stadium, the Pontiac Silverdome, and the University of Michigan's Crisler Arena.

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# 2017 WFMT CLASSICAL MUSIC TOUR REGISTRATION FORM

A minimum of 20 passengers is required for this tour to operate.

# **IMPORTANT**: PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT WITH THIS REGISTRATION FORM NAMES MUST MATCH NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT

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For credit card payment, a 5% processing fee will be added. After you make your deposit, you will receive a paid invoice.

A Deposit of \$3,000 Per Person is Due With Registration. Full Payment Is Due By February 1, 2017

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