

Classical Denmark & Iceland

with WFMT host Dennis Moore

May 31 - June 10, 2018



Join WFMT host Dennis Moore and his partner, award-winning violinist Sara Su Jones, and discover the best of Denmark and Iceland with fellow classical music lovers. We'll stroll through some of Denmark's most beautiful cities and towns,

experience the stunning landscapes of Iceland, learn about the legacy of the Vikings, and attend several fabulous classical music performances along the way. In addition to music, we'll immerse ourselves in great Nordic food and art. This one-of-a-kind Nordic WFMT adventure has something for everyone! Space is limited.

TRIP AT A GLANCE

- 1 Overnight flight to Europe
- 4 Nights Copenhagen, Denmark
- 5 Nights Reykjavík, Iceland

HIGHLIGHTS

Exploring Iceland and Denmark with your WFMT host Dennis Moore and his partner, award-winning violinist Sara Su Jones * Outings to stunning waterfalls and hot springs * Three special classical concerts * The Reykjavík Arts Festival * Four-star hotel accommodations * Local dining * A private tour of Reykjavík * Visit to the workshop of violin-maker Hans Johannsson * Excursions to quaint fishing villages * A tour and Iceland Symphony Orchestra concert at the world-renowned Harpa concert hall in Reykjavík



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IT'S INCLUDED

- With WFMT host Dennis Moore & violinist Sara Su Jones
- Fully guided by an expert Earthbound Expeditions guide
- Concerts in unique venues, including private recitals by Dennis & Sara Su
- Fascinating walks with knowledgeable local guides
- Transport by private air-conditioned motor coach
- Nine nights in superior, centrally located four-star hotels
- Flight from Copenhagen to Reykjavik (when joining the group air)
- All breakfasts, plus 10 additional meals featuring regional specialties
- Entrance to all museums and concerts as outlined in the WFMT itinerary

TRIP FACTS

10 Days/9 Nights (not including air travel) \$5,399 Double Occupancy *Space is limited! \$1,499 Single Supplement (waived if a roommate is confirmed) Trip begins: June 1 in Copenhagen, Denmark Trip ends: June 10 in Reykjavík, Iceland



OPTIONAL GROUP FLIGHT on ICELANDAIR - \$1,199

May 31: Flight departs Chicago for Copenhagen June 10: Flight departs Reykjavík for Chicago

NOT INCLUDED

International airfare, alcoholic beverages with meals, any meals not mentioned, room/mini-bar service, gratuities for hotel staff, travel insurance, items of a personal nature, and anything not listed in the "It's Included" section above.

RESERVATIONS: A \$500 reservation fee is required to reserve your space on this very special WFMT journey. An additional \$200 deposit is required if opting for the group flight. Call 800-723-8454.

WAYS TO SAVE \$250

Pay your final balance by check and save \$100 * WFMT and Earthbound travel alumni always save \$100 * Reserve before December 31 and save \$50





YOUR WFMT ADVENTURE BEGINS....

May 31 - Depart the USA for wonderful, wonderful Copenhagen!

Day 1: Friday, June 1 - Velkommen til Danmark! Welcome to Denmark!

Your Nordic journey begins this evening at a Copenhagen hotel. An airport transfer is included from Copenhagen Kastrup to the hotel for those on the group flight. Stretch your legs and take a short stroll along the waterfront to view the *Little Mermaid* sculpture and the Amalienborg Palace before dinner. This evening, enjoy a "Welcome to Denmark" dinner. Sleep in Copenhagen

Day 2: Saturday, June 2 - Charming Copenhagen

This morning, you are invited to join a knowledgeable local guide for a fascinating walk through the old alleyways of Copenhagen. We'll visit the city's charming harbor of Nyhavn and stroll down the Strøget, Copenhagen's main pedestrian avenue. Our walking tour of the old town center will end right before lunch, and your local and Earthbound guides will be available to offer you restaurant suggestions for lunch as well as ideas for how to spend your free afternoon. Sleep in Copenhagen

Day 3: Sunday, June 3 - A Day of Leisure and a Private Recital in Copenhagen

Art lovers might consider visiting the National Gallery, while history buffs might choose to visit the impressive National Museum. Spend an afternoon in the Tivoli Gardens or explore the Renaissance Rosenborg Palace, home to the Danish crown jewels. The possibilities are endless! This evening, enjoy a private recital by Sara Su and Dennis. Sleep in Copenhagen

Day 4: Monday, June 4 - North Sealand and Frederiksborg Castle

Today we journey to North Sealand, filled with quaint villages, historic palaces, lovely lakes, and dense forests. We'll visit 17th-century Frederiksborg Castle, built by Christian IV in Danish Renaissance style. You'll savor regional fare at local restaurants and drive the Yellow Roads along the "Danish Riviera" back to Copenhagen. Sleep in Copenhagen



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Day 5: Tuesday, June 5 - Onward to Iceland

This morning, we head to the airport for our short flight to Iceland. Upon arrival, we'll have a walking tour of Reykjavík to see its colorful past and present. Reykjavík's main landmarks are highlighted, including The Pearl, Hallgrímskirkja church, the famous 101 neighborhood, the Parliament, the City Hall, and Höfði house, where the Reagan-Gorbachev summit meeting took place in 1986. Sleep in Reykjavík

Day 6: Wednesday, June 6 - Golden Circle and Friðheimar Greenhouse

Our first stop on the circle today is Thingvellir National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Thingvellir is one of the most beautiful and geologically spectacular sights in Iceland. It is set on a vast plain flanked by large fissures, right on Iceland's largest lake, Thingvallavatn.

This afternoon, we'll visit Friðheimar farm and greenhouses to learn about Icelandic horses and their special qualities and history. The greenhouses, warmed by geothermal activity, are famous for their tomatoes. We'll sample some delicious tomato soup and schnapps before continuing on the circle to Haukadalur geothermal fields. Though the original geyser at Haukadalur is now dormant, it has been replaced by Strokkur, which erupts at 5-10 minute intervals. We'll continue on to stunning Gullfoss, which tumbles 111 feet into the Hvítá River. Sleep in Reykjavík

Days 7 and 8: Thurs, June 7 and Fri, June 8 - Stunning Reykjavík and Concert at Harpa Hall

These are days to do as you please in Iceland's gorgeous capital! Nature lovers may want to book an independent excursion to the south coast to see magnificent waterfalls, soak in the hot springs of the famous Blue Lagoon, or ride Icelandic horses. Your guide can help you book an activity that suits your taste. Oh, and speaking of taste...there is a rafting and beer-tasting adventure for those interested in sampling the local brews. The Reykjavík Arts Festival will also be in full swing with performances and shows throughout the city.

No matter how you decide to spend your time, be sure to join the group on the evening of Thurs, **June 7, for a special performance at Harpa concert hall, preceded by Dennis's pre-concert lecture. The Iceland Symphony Orchestra, under young American conductor Joshua Weilerstein, will perform Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2 with rising star pianist Behzod Abduraimov and the First Symphony (1933) by Chicagoan Florence Price—the first symphonic work by an African-American woman to be played by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Sleep in Reykjavik



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Day 9: Saturday, June 9 - Violin-making demonstration and concert at Hannesarholt

Enjoy a leisurely morning in Reykjavík before joining the group for an exclusive visit to Hans Johannsson's violin-making workshop. Hans, who recently custom-made a violin for Sara Su and whose instruments are played by a dozen members of the Iceland Symphony Orchestra, welcomes our group this morning for a discussion of his craft and demonstration of his handmade stringed instruments.

Then get ready for a special farewell luncheon. We'll enjoy traditional Nordic fare and toast our grand musical adventure before heading off to historic Hannesarholt, home of Iceland's first prime minister, to hear Sara Su and Dennis perform for us in Hannesarholt's exquisite, intimate concert space featuring a Steinway grand piano hand-selected by Iceland's leading pianist, Víkingur Ólafsson. Sleep in Reykjavík

Day 10: Sunday, June 10 - Journey Concludes

Your Icelandic journey concludes this morning after breakfast. An airport transfer is included to the airport for those departing on the group flight.

-Itinerary Subject to Change-



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MEET YOUR HOSTS



Well known to classical-music radio listeners in Chicago and nationwide for over 25 years, Dennis Moore is an experienced radio host, music programmer, and producer of classical, jazz, and world music programs. He joined WFMT in 1990 and was the station's Program Director from 1997 to 2004; he now serves as a Program Host/Producer and can be heard regularly on Saturday and Sunday mornings, as well as most evenings. Dennis has served as voice talent, producer, or director on a wide variety of broadcast projects, from the Grant Park, Ravinia, and Aspen festivals to performances by the New York Philharmonic, London Symphony Orchestra, and Lyric Opera of Chicago. He was also the voice of the nationally syndicated Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra and Civic Orchestra broadcasts for a number of years, and he gives pre-concert lectures for the Grant Park Music Festival each summer.

As a pianist, Dennis frequently collaborates with his partner, violinist Sara Su Jones. Dennis and Sara Su regularly perform at prominent Chicago-area venues as well as throughout the US. Together, they have also given several recitals in Iceland over the past four years, including at Harpa, the home of the Iceland Symphony Orchestra; the US Embassy in Reykjavík; and the Residence of the US Ambassador to Iceland (for an audience that included former Icelandic president Vigdís Finnbogadóttir). Sara Su performs on a violin custom-made for her by the Icelandic luthier Hans Johannsson.

Hailed as a "violinist of enviable gifts" by a *Chicago Sun-Times* music critic, Sara Su is an award-winning violinist who has performed as a soloist throughout North America, Europe, and Asia as well as in her native Chicago; her solo recitals have been recommended by the *Chicago Tribune's* John von Rhein, and she has been heard as a soloist on BBC Radio. In recent seasons, Sara Su has given recitals in London (at the historic Temple Church); Reykjavík; Washington, DC; Massachusetts; California; Wisconsin; and Indiana; upcoming appearances include "Live from WFMT," WFMT's signature two-hour recital and conversation program.

Sara Su holds an A.R.C.M. certificate in violin performance from the Royal College of Music in London, as well as an A.B. in Economics, *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa, and a J.D., *cum laude*, both from Harvard (where she served for three years as the assistant concertmaster of the symphony orchestra). Formerly a diplomatic intern at the US State Department and the US Embassy in Moscow, she worked as a management consultant at McKinsey & Company in New York and as a trusts and estates lawyer at Ropes & Gray LLP in Boston. In 2004, Sara Su founded Elite Educational Coaching; she now coaches students throughout the US and internationally in person and via Skype on test prep, writing skills, and college admissions. See www.sarasujones.com.



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Cancellations Land: All cancellations must be made in writing and are effective upon receipt in our office. Deposits are fully refundable for 60 days from the processing date or 90 days prior to departure, whichever comes first. Deposits made 90 days prior to departure are not refundable. A \$75 per person processing fee applies to all cancellations. No refunds are made for cancellations after the non-refundable deposit date. It is for this reason we strongly encourage the purchase of travel insurance at the same time as you reserve your journey with us. Please refer to your specific journey details, especially private and hosted journeys, as policies may differ.

Packing: We suggest that you pack light and utilize wheeled luggage. Porters are available at the hotels, but there may be times where you will need to handle your own bag for short distances.

Physical requirements: In order to make the most of your trip, you should be able to walk independently for one to two miles, often over uneven cobblestones, and be able to stand for a period of time during walking or museum tours or visits to other sights. You must also be able to maneuver luggage independently.

Travel Insurance: Earthbound Expeditions strongly encourages the purchase of travel insurance coverage. We include information on trip insurance in your deposit information. It is important to check with your medical insurance provider to understand your medical benefits and coverage while traveling abroad. Please read our cancellation policy carefully in order to avoid incurring a costly penalty.

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