

## Concert Tour of Austria the Czech Republic 2006

**Monday, May 15**
**USA to VIENNA**

5.45 pm      The **MESSIAH COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR** departs from Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) on direct non-stop Austrian Airlines flight OS 94.

**Tuesday, May 16**
**VIENNA**

8.40 am      Arrive at Vienna airport  
The **MESSIAH COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR** will be met at Vienna International airport by your professional English-speaking tour guide Mr. Fritz Doppelhofer (cell phone +43 664 6381721) , your driver and Christian Bender, Managing Director of Concerts-Austria.  
Transfer by deluxe air-conditioned motor coach to your hotel. Vienna orientation tour en-route.

2.15 pm      Lunch on your own in the city-center. (time to change money)

3.00 pm      Board bus and depart for hotel  
Check-into hotel  
Afternoon at leisure; time to rest (recommended time: no longer than 2 hours, this will ensure that participants will adjust to Central European time and overcome jet lag quickly.)

6.00 pm      Welcome dinner at hotel and briefing with your guide

7.00 pm      Transfer to the outstanding "**House of Music**" to experience the following attractions:  
\*The Great Masters of Viennese music tradition: Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Strauss.  
\*The Virtual Conductor \*The Waltz Dice Game \*The Vienna Philharmonic Museum  
\*New Year's Concert Experience (35 min.)  
\* The Sonosphere  
\* The Brain Opera

8.30 pm      Board bus and transfer back to hotel  
Overnight Vienna (1)



**Wednesday, May 17****VIENNA**

- 7.30 am Buffet breakfast at hotel  
8.45 am start first rehearsal at seminar room in the hotel  
10.45 am end of rehearsal  
11.00 am Start your guided city tour of Vienna  
11.30 am visit **Schoenbrunn Palace**. (entrance included)  
1.00 pm Lunch on your own  
2.00 pm Continue your guided city tour of Vienna with **Ring Avenue**, the **Hofburg Palace**, the **Opera House**, **St. Stephen's Cathedral**, **Mozart's "Figaro House"**, **City Hall** and visit the **Central Cemetery** (honorary tombs of famous composers like Beethoven, Gluck, Schubert, Johann Strauss Father and Son, Lanner and Brahms).  
6.00 pm Dinner at local restaurant Wieselburger at Prater, the oldest amusement-park in the world with its famous ferris wheel and plenty of other attractions.  
9.00 pm board bus and return to hotel  
Overnight Vienna (2)

**Thursday, May 18****VIENNA**

- 8.00 am Buffet breakfast at hotel  
9.00 am Transfer to the **University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna**  
10.00 am Start seminar/workshop conducted by a **Member of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra**  
Topics include: "*Vienna a Center of Music in the World*", "*Music History in Vienna*" and "*Focus on the 250th Birthday of Mozart*", "*Perspectives of a Professional Musician*". (time permitting).  
11.30 am End of seminar/workshop  
Lunch on your own.  
12.30 pm Transfer back to hotel (pick up concert attire and music)  
1.30 pm Board Bus (bring concert attire and music)  
Depart for the province **Burgenland** and the evening concert in **Bad Tatzmannsdorf**  
Arrive in **Rohrau** - see the birthplace of the world-famous composers Joseph and Michael Haydn, the **Haydn Museum**. Then continue to **Eisenstadt** - where Joseph Haydn lived for 30 years. Eisenstadt is the capital as well as the cultural and educational center of the province of Burgenland. This charming Baroque town - its buildings influenced by the Prince Esterhazy dynasty - is Austria's smallest and youngest provincial capital. Eisenstadt had its heyday in the 18th century when it was ruled by Prince Nikolaus Esterhazy.

See the **Esterhazy Palace** where Haydn conducted the court orchestra almost every evening, stop at **Raiding**, the birthplace of Franz Liszt and then, continue south to **Bad Tatzmannsdorf**

- 6.00 pm arrive Bad Tatzmannsdorf
- 6.20 pm Sound check (change into concert attire)
- 7.20 pm end of sound check
- 7.30 pm **OPENING EVENING CONCERT TOUR PERFORMANCE (#1) BY THE MESSIAH COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR conducted by LINDA TEDFORD** at the Parish Church of Bad Tatzmannsdorf  
The choir will be officially welcomed by a city representative and introduced to the audience.
- 8.30 pm end of concert
- 8.45 pm Dinner provided in Bad Tatzmannsdorf at local restaurant Weinstadt
- 9.45 pm Return to Vienna
- 11.30 pm arrive at hotel  
Overnight Vienna (3)



## Friday, May 19

## VIENNA to SALZBURG

- 7.00 am Buffet breakfast at hotel
- 8.00 am Depart for Salzburg via the **Wachau Region**, a UNESCO World Heritage area
- 10.00 am Board **MS Austria** in **Krems** and start river cruise on the Danube.  
Lunch on your own on board of MS Austria
- 1.00 pm Arrive in **Melk**.
- 2.10 pm Visit the **Benedictine Abbey Melk** (entrance and guided visit included)  
continue to Salzburg  
Arrive in **Salzburg** in the late afternoon. Check into hotel
- 7.00 pm Dinner provided at hotel  
Overnight Salzburg (4)



**Saturday May 20****SALZBURG**

- 8.00 am Buffet breakfast at hotel  
9.00 am Board bus and start morning guided city tour of Salzburg including a visit to Mozart's birthplace. (entrance included)  
12.00 pm end of city tour  
Lunch on own arrangements in the city-center of Salzburg  
1.00 pm return to hotel  
1.30 pm depart for concert (concert attire and music)  
enjoy the beautiful scenery of the Salzkammergut Lake district  
4.30 pm arrive Gosau and official Welcome by City officials  
4.45 pm Sound check  
5.45 pm end of sound check  
6.00 pm **EVENING CONCERT TOUR PERFORMANCE (#2) BY THE MESSIAH COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR** conducted by **LINDA TEDFORD** at the Parish Church in GOSAU  
7.00 pm end of concert  
7.15 pm Dinner provided at local restaurant Kirchenwirt in Gosau  
8.15 pm return to your Hotel  
9.30 pm arrive in hotel  
Overnight Salzburg (5)

**Sunday May 21****SALZBURG to PRAGUE**

- 7.00 am Buffet breakfast at hotel  
8.00 am Depart for Prague.  
Lunch on your own en route.  
Arrive **Prague** in the afternoon, check into hotel  
4.30 pm Depart hotel with your local guide and start city tour including **Prague Castle**, walking tour of the **old town**, **St. Vitus Cathedral**, and the **Charles Bridge**.  
8.00 pm Board cruise boat  
8.30 pm Dinner cruise on the Vlatava River  
11.00 pm end of cruise and return to hotel  
Overnight Prague (6)





**Monday, May 22****PRAGUE**

- 9.00 am Buffet breakfast at hotel  
10.00 am Depart from Hotel  
11.00 am Visit to the **Villa Bertramka**, with the **Museum of Mozart** (entrance included)  
12.30 pm Lunch on your own  
Afternoon at leisure in the center of Prague.  
2.30 pm Transfer back to hotel and prepare for concert  
4.00 pm Depart hotel (concert attire and music)  
5.00 pm Sound check  
5.50 pm end of sound check ( Mass to follow)  
7.30 pm Choir of St. Thomas church (Svatotomassky sbor).  
7.45 pm **EVENING CONCERT TOUR PERFORMANCE (#3) BY THE MESSIAH COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR conducted by LINDA TEDFORD** at the Church of St. Thomas at Mala Strana in PRAGUE  
(20 tickets in the name of Rebecca Wilt are reserved)  
8.45 pm end of concert and return to hotel  
9.30 pm Dinner provided at hotel  
Overnight Prague (7)

**Tuesday, May 23****PRAGUE to BRNO**

- 7.00 am Breakfast at hotel  
8.00 am Depart Prague, travel through the rolling Bohemian and Moravian countryside to **Brno**, the Moravian Capital, one-time headquarters of Napoleon (Battle of Austerlitz in 1805)  
12.00 pm Lunch on own arrangements in the city-center.  
1.00 pm Start **lecture** with a member of Brno's Janacek Conservatory  
Visit of Janacek Museum  
2.30 pm Check in Hotel  
5.00 pm Depart for concert venue (concert attire and music)  
5.30 pm Sound check  
6.30 pm end of sound check  
7.00 pm Brno youth choir Vox Iuvenalis  
7.15 pm **EVENING CONCERT TOUR PERFORMANCE (#4) BY THE MESSIAH COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR conducted by LINDA TEDFORD** at the Technical University in BRNO  
Joint concert with Brno youth choir Vox Iuvenalis to promote Czech & American friendship.  
8.15 pm end of concert  
8.30 pm Dinner Pizza party with host choir  
10.00 pm return to hotel  
Overnight Brno (8)



**Wednesday, May 24****BRNO to VIENNA**

- 7.00 am Buffet breakfast at hotel  
8.00 am Depart for Vienna (have passports ready)  
Arrive **Vienna** before lunch time  
Lunch on your own  
Rest of afternoon at leisure in Vienna - time for shopping, independent museum visits.  
5.00 pm board bus and transfer to hotel  
Check in hotel  
6.15 pm depart hotel  
7.00 pm Festive farewell dinner at local restaurant Heuriger Maly in Grinzing  
Overnight Vienna (9)

**Thursday, May 25****VIENNA to WASHINGTON, DC**

- 6.00 am buffet breakfast and check out hotel  
7.00 am depart hotel and transfer to Vienna International Airport  
8.00 am arrive airport and check-in for your return flight back to the USA  
10.30 am departure flight OS 93 to Washington Dulles International airport (IAD)  
2.10 pm Arrive at Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)  
WELCOME HOME

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