New Century Chamber Orchestra

An Exclusive Concert Program in Germany

JUNE 15 TO 25, 2019 (11 DAYS)
Dear New Century Family,

In the summer of 2019, New Century Chamber Orchestra will embark on our debut European tour. Please join me on a very special and exclusive opportunity to travel with the ensemble in Germany. As part of this package, you will experience our orchestra in some of the most beautiful and evocative venues in Europe.

We are enlisting the services of Stanford University’s Travel/Study program who have decades of experience planning specialty trips to this region. We hope you can join us!

Sincerely,

Daniel Hope
Music Director, New Century Chamber Orchestra
### Trip at a Glance

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SATURDAY, JUNE 15
DEPART HOME / DUSSELDORF, GERMANY
Depart on independently booked flights from home to Düsseldorf.

SUNDAY, JUNE 16
DUSSELDORF
Upon arrival, you will be transferred by private vehicle to our deluxe hotel, located in the heart of Düsseldorf. This evening gather with fellow travelers for a welcome champagne reception in the hotel. Dinner is on your own; our staff can assist with restaurant reservations, or you may consult the hotel concierge.

MONDAY, JUNE 17
DUSSELDORF / ESSEN
After breakfast at the hotel, discover the vibrant city of Düsseldorf on a guided walking tour. Explore the remarkably well preserved Altstadt (Old Town), including the imposing Town Hall and Castle Tower on the banks of the Rhine River. Continue to the neighboring Ehrenhof district, home to the domed Tonhalle, a concert hall constructed in 1926 for the city’s Düsseldorfer Symphoniker orchestra. After lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy some free time to continue exploring the city on your own. We highly recommend walking along the beautiful Königsallee with its elegant boutique shops and art galleries. Or you may choose to visit one of the city’s many excellent museums. In the late afternoon, travel by coach to the nearby town of Essen for a festive pre-concert dinner with the New Century Chamber Orchestra followed by a performance at the Philharmonie Essen. Return to Düsseldorf for overnight accommodations.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18
HAMBURG / HEILIGENDAMM
After breakfast at the hotel, check out and transfer to the Düsseldorf airport for a short commercial flight to Hamburg. Upon arrival enjoy lunch at a local restaurant in Hamburg, then board a coach for the two-hour drive to the seaside town of Heiligendamm on Germany’s Baltic coast. Check into our beautiful resort and spa situated directly on the sea with rooms overlooking the water. This evening gather in one of the hotel’s excellent restaurants for dinner with the group.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19
HEILIGENDAMM / ROSTOCK
Spend the morning at the nearby church of Doberan Münster, whose original sections date back to the 14th century when it served as a church of the Cistercian Order. Admire the cathedral’s high gothic architecture, including a monumental altar and to the beaches of Warnemünde and stroll the Am Strom promenade with its countless shops and boutiques. After a seafood lunch return to Heiligendamm for an afternoon at leisure to enjoy the hotel’s amenities. This evening gather for a pre-concert reception in the hotel followed by a performance by the New Century Chamber Orchestra on the hotel’s grounds. After the concert join the orchestra members for an informal buffet dinner.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20
HEILIGENDAMM / BAD DOBERAN
This morning tour the nearby church of Doberan Münster, whose original sections date back to the 14th century when it served as a church of the Cistercian Order. Admire the cathedral’s high gothic architecture, including a monumental altar and
the sculpted tomb of the Danish Queen Margarete Sambiria. From Bad Doberan, board the historic Molli train for a picturesque ride to Kühlungsborn by the coast. After lunch at a local restaurant in the village of Kühlungsborn, return to Heiligendamm. The afternoon is free for optional activities (at additional cost), including a cooking class, guided bike ride or sailing tour. We will provide sign-up options to confirmed participants. Dinner is available at the hotel.

GRAND HOTEL HEILIGENDAMM (B,L,D)

FRIDAY, JUNE 21
HEILIGENDAMM / GUSTROW / ULRICHSHUSEN
Enjoy a morning at leisure for optional activities or independent pursuits. This afternoon travel to the small town of Güstrow where we have lunch at a local restaurant, then explore a museum dedicated to the work of German expressionist sculptor and writer Ernst Barlach. Continue to the 17th-century castle estate of Schloss Ulrichshusen, where we’ll enjoy a pre-concert dinner and a New Century Chamber concert on the castle grounds. Return to Heiligendamm.

GRAND HOTEL HEILIGENDAMM (B,L,D)

SATURDAY, JUNE 22
HEILIGENDAMM / AHRENSHOOP
Join an excursion this morning to the peninsula of Fischland-Darß-Zingst, home to the artist colony of Ahrenshoop. Impressed by the seaside landscape, German artists such as Marianne Werefkin, Erich Heckel and Gerhard Marcks made Ahrenshoop their working home. The area is still popular with artists and Germans looking for a peaceful retreat. Explore several artist galleries and enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Return to Heiligendamm for an afternoon at leisure and dinner at the hotel.

GRAND HOTEL HEILIGENDAMM (B,L,D)

SUNDAY, JUNE 23
SCHWERIN / BERLIN
Check out of the hotel and transfer by coach to the town of Schwerin (approximately 1.5 hours’ drive), the capital of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern. Enjoy a guided visit to the stunning Schwerin Castle, surrounded by lakes and forests and the former residence of the Grandduke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. Stroll along the castle’s garden paths and savor lunch at a local restaurant. Enjoy a special New Century concert in the late afternoon, then continue to Berlin, arriving in the evening. Gather for an informal reception at our hotel, centrally located just steps from the Brandenburg Gate.

ADLON KEMPINSKI (B,L,R)

MONDAY, JUNE 24
BERLIN
Discover this dynamic capital city on a guided morning tour, including a visit to the Reichstag and lunch in the building’s rooftop restaurant with views of the city. The afternoon is free for independent exploration. This evening gather at one of the city’s finest restaurants for a farewell dinner.

ADLON KEMPINSKI (B,L,D)

TUESDAY, JUNE 25
DEPART
Check out of the hotel and take a private transfer to the airport for your independently booked flights home.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25 & 26
OPTIONAL DRESDEN EXTENSION
Travel to Dresden for a guided tour and light lunch. Enjoy a pre-concert dinner and attend a New Century performance at the Frauenkirche. Overnight at a Dresden hotel. Details will be sent to confirmed participants.
CAPELLA BREIDENBACHER HOF, DUSSELDORF

Inspired by the history of the city’s iconic Königsallee, the historic hotel is imbued with more than two hundred years of history yet is designed for thoroughly modern indulgences. Located in the heart of Düsseldorf’s vibrant downtown, the hotel is well placed to enjoy the city’s cultural sights. Rooms are decorated with a mix of vintage elements and modern design, including Italian marble accents in the bathrooms and elegant bespoke furnishings. Other amenities include a spa, indoor pool and state-of-the-art fitness center.

ADLON KEMPINSKI, BERLIN

Situated within steps of the Brandenburg Gate at the heart of Berlin, this historic property which dates back to 1907 has hosted royalty, celebrities and diplomats from around the world in its art-deco interiors. Enjoy breakfast or tea under the stained-glass cupola, savor a cocktail at the splendid Lobby Lounge and Bar, or experience the services and amenities of the luxury spa and wellness center. Rooms feature period furnishings and deluxe linens with highspeed internet.

GRAND HOTEL HEILIGENDAMM

Constructed in the late 18th and early 19th centuries, this unique synthesis of classical architecture served as Germany’s first seaside resort when Duke Friedrich Franz I came here on the advice of his personal physician in 1793. Since then, this Baltic gem has provided a welcome luxurious retreat for Europe’s elite. In 2003, after extensive restoration, the hotel was reopened with painstaking detail paid to its historic origins and designs, while also incorporating more modern comforts and amenities.

Rooms feature elegant furnishings and linens, marble-appointed bathrooms, and highspeed internet. The property features three bars and three restaurants, including the exclusive Friedrich Franz Gourmet Restaurant and the delectable Sushi Bar. Indulge in a wellness treatment at the spa or partake in one of many optional activities such as yoga, golfing, sailing and hiking.
Information

COST
$9,995 per person, double accommodations
$11,495 per person, single accommodations

Based on a minimum of 10 participants

COST INCLUDES
- 9 nights of deluxe accommodations
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
  (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner, R = Reception)
- Private airport transfers upon arrival and departure
- All excursions, entry fees and activities as described in the itinerary
- Flight from Dusseldorf to Hamburg on June 18
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers and waiters
- Stanford Travel/Study Faculty Advisor and educational program with pre-trip lecture and pre-departure materials, including recommended reading list, selected books, map and travel information
- Stanford Travel/Study Tour Manager and New Century staff member to manage logistics throughout the program
- Minimal medical, accident and evacuation insurance

COST EXCLUDES
- Airfare between your home and Germany
- Immunization or medical costs
- Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- Excursions beyond those specified as included
- Trip-cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance
- Excess-baggage charges
- Personal items such as internet access, telephone calls, laundry and gratuities for nongroup services

Faculty Advisor

An important feature of your Stanford Private Edition is access to our world-renowned professors and researchers who will provide insight into some of the places you’ll be visiting on your journey. You’ll receive custom reading recommendations and complimentary books and have an opportunity to meet with your advisor, either on campus or using video conference, for a personalized pre-trip discussion and lecture presentation.
DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT
A $2,000-per-person deposit is required to book space for this program. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. As a condition of participation, all participants are required to sign a Release of Liability.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS
Deposits and any payments are refundable less a $1,000-per-person cancellation fee until 120 days prior to departure. Within 120 days from departure, we are unable to refund any of your program cost.

INSURANCE
Stanford Travel/Study provides all travelers who are U.S. or Canadian citizens with minimal medical, accident and evacuation coverage under our group-travel insurance policy. Our group policy is intended to provide minimal levels of protection while you are traveling on this program. You may choose to subscribe to optional trip-cancellation and baggage insurance. A brochure offering such insurance will be provided to U.S. residents with their welcome materials. The product offered in this brochure includes special benefits if you purchase your policy within 14 days of the date listed on the welcome email.

RESPONSIBILITY
The Stanford Alumni Association, Stanford University and our operators act only as agents for the passenger with respect to transportation and exercise every care possible in doing so. However, we can assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity in connection with the service of any automobile, motorcoach, launch or any other conveyance used in carrying out this program or for the acts or defaults of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the program. We cannot accept any responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, force majeure or other causes beyond our control. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide arrangements only for the time stated. We reserve the right to make such alterations to this published itinerary as may be deemed necessary. The right is reserved to cancel any program prior to departure in which case the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. The right is also reserved to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of the program. No refund will be made for an unused portion of any tour unless arrangements are made in sufficient time to avoid penalties. Baggage is carried at the owner's risk entirely. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. Neither the Alumni Association, Stanford University nor our operators accept liability for any carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable ticket in connection with the tour. Program price is based on rates in effect in December 2018 and is subject to change without notice to reflect fluctuations in exchange rates, tariffs or fuel charges.
Reservation Form

NAME 1 (AS IT APPEARS ON PASSPORT) DATE OF BIRTH

NAME 2 (AS IT APPEARS ON PASSPORT) DATE OF BIRTH

ADDRESS

CITY / STATE / ZIP

HOME PHONE WORK PHONE MOBILE PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

☐ I/We have read the Terms and Conditions for the program and agree to them.

Here is my deposit of $________ ($2,000 per person) for _____ place(s).

☐ Enclosed is my check (payable to “Stanford Alumni Association”).

or ☐ Charge my deposit to my ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

CARD NUMBER EXPIRATION DATE

AUTHORIZED CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE DATE

Mail or fax completed form to Stanford Travel/Study—for security purposes, do not send credit card information via email. You can also phone Anna-Alycia Tucker at (650) 724-7668 to place a deposit over the phone.