# **BRANDEIS CHAMBER SINGERS FRANCE TOUR ITINERARY**

# Day 1: May 23, 2022 - Depart USA (Meals Per Airline)

• Overnight, transatlantic flight to France.

# Day 2: May 24, 2022 - Arrive Paris and Transfer to Normandy (Meals Per Airline, D)

- Meet your Tour Manager at Paris airport.
- Transfer to Bayeux, Normandy on a private motorcoach (3.5-4 hrs).
- Check-in to your hotel.
- Welcome dinner in a local restaurant.
- Overnight Bayeux, Normandy at the Hotel Churchill.

#### Day 3: May 25, 2022 Bayeux Informal Recital & Exchange (B, D)

- Breakfast at hotel.
- We begin our day travelling through scenic Normandy to the medieval Mont –St-Michel, UNESCO World Heritage listed island and Gothic Abbey which count for the most stunning sights in France.
- Lunch on your own.
- <u>Performance.</u>

# Short informal recital at the St. Pierre Abbey, Mont-Saint Michel at 11:00am.

- Dinner in a local restaurant.
- Visit Cathedral of Notre Dame, Bayeux, a national monument, the seat of the Bishop of Bayeux and Lisieux and the original home of the Bayeux Tapestry, still preserved nearby.

# • <u>Performance.</u>

- Perform in Rouen Cathedral at 4:30pm.
- Overnight Bayeux, Normandy at the Hotel Churchill.

#### Day 4: May 26, 2022 Bayeux/Omaha Beach Concert– Paris (B, D)

- Breakfast at hotel and check out.
- Transfer to the sites of D-Day Landings
  - for a guided tour. See the location of the Allied Invasion of Normandy in 1944, and visit American Cemetery at Omaha Beach.
- <u>Performance.</u>
- Perform at the Normandy American Church Cemetery at 11:00am.
- Lunch on your own.
- This afternoon head towards Paris, the 'City of Lights' (3.5hrs).
- Dinner included at hotel or local restaurant.
- Overnight Paris.

#### Day 5: May 27, 2022 Paris (B, D)

- Breakfast at hotel.
- This morning explore Paris on a walking tour and learn about Paris
- Jewish heritage. Explore the Jewish Quarter located in the heart of Paris, the "Pletzl", which has been the center of Jewish life in Paris since the 13th century. Walk the paved narrow streets of Le Marais, learn about the history of the Jewish communities, discover the Jewish shops, the Kosher bakeries and Jewish bookstores. 1 day public transport travel pass included.
- Lunch on your own.
- See the world-class treasures of Paris's Louvre Museum on a 2-hour guided tour. Follow an expert guide straight to collection highlights including the 'Mona Lisa,' 'Venus de Milo' and

'Winged Victory of Samothrace.' Learn the backstories of these artistic masterpieces to enrich your experience, and feel free to continue exploring the museum at the end of the tour. See Jerusalem through the eyes of many painters and discover the Louvre with a Jewish touch.

- <u>Service project</u>-giving back to local community performing in retirement home complex or for a local community (Korian Monceau)
- Dinner included at hotel or local restaurant.
- Overnight Paris.

#### **Day 6: May 28, 2022** Paris/Concert (B, D)

- Breakfast at hotel
- Explore one of the marvels of the world while visiting the Iron Lady of Paris (The Eiffel Tower) -the world's most-visited paid monument *(most likely tickets can't be pre-booked so waiting in a live line is involved)*.
- Lunch on your own.
- Afterwards cruise up the majestic Seine and discover the sights of Paris from a new perspective. Public transport tickets + afternoon private coach included.
- <u>Performance.</u>
- American Church, Paris (blocked from 4:00pm to 6:00pm).
- Dinner in a local restaurant.
- Overnight Paris.

# **Day 7: May 29, 2022** Paris (B, D)

- Breakfast at hotel.
- Go behind the Scenes Tour at the Famous Opera Garnier.
- Experience the magnificence of Paris Opera Garnier and explore the Beaux-Arts opera house that was memorialized as the setting for 'The Phantom of the Opera.' Explore the grand staircase, chandelier-lined foyer and opulent auditorium as your guide shares the history and legends of this world-famous theatre. Transfer to Paris airport accompanied by your Tour Manager.
- Lunch on your own. Public transport tickets + afternoon private coach included.
- <u>Performance.</u>
- Notre-Dame des Blancs-Manteaux.
- Farewell dinner in a local restaurant.
- Overnight Paris.

### Day 8: May 30, 2022 Paris/US (B, Meals Per Airline)

- Breakfast at hotel and check out.
- Say Au Revoir to France today and take all long lasting memories and experiences with you.
- Transfer to Paris airport accompanied by your Tour Manager.

#### **Air Information**

Departing From Boston (BOS) May 23, 2022 09:25 PM
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Arriving In Dublin (DUB) May 24, 2022 08:35 AM
Departing From Dublin (DUB) May 24, 2022 09:45 AM
Arriving In Paris (CDG) May 24, 2022 12:35 PM
Departing From Paris (CDG) May 30, 2022 01:15 PM
Arriving In Dublin (DUB) May 30, 2022 02:05 PM
Departing From Dublin (DUB) May 30, 2022 04:45 PM
Arriving In Boston (BOS) May 30, 2022 06:55 PM