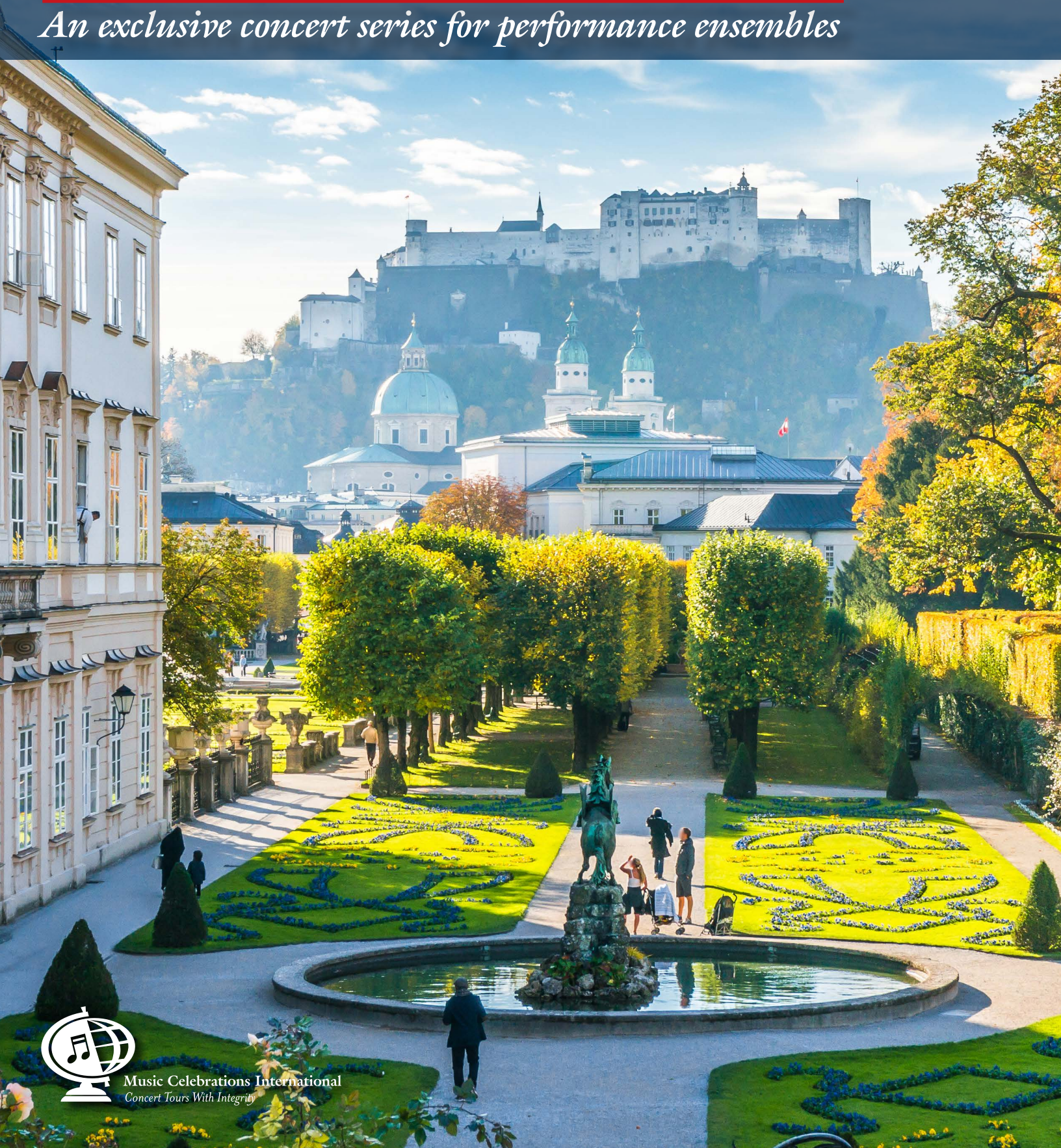


American Celebration of Music in

Austria

An exclusive concert series for performance ensembles



Music Celebrations International
Concert Tours With Integrity



An Exclusive Concert Series

The Mayors of Austria's four major cities -- Vienna, Salzburg, Graz and Innsbruck -- are inviting select American groups to perform in the American Celebration of Music in Austria concert series.

Picture your choir singing in Salzburg Cathedral, your orchestra performing in Vienna's Konzerthaus, your band playing in Mirabell Gardens! All of this can happen and more for participants in the American Celebration of Music in Austria!

The American Celebration of Music is a special annual performance-tour program, co-sponsored by local governments, music associations, community organizations, and tourist boards around the globe. In many countries this has developed into a prestigious, recognized, year-long concert-series festival. Recognition of this festival facilitates greater access to performance venues, official publicity, generally very successful concert arrangements, and the ability to touch local cultures in a way that may not be done through other affiliations. This equates to more meaningful musical and emotional experiences for participating performance ensembles.

Austria is so steeped in music that musicians the world over consider a performance tour here as a musical pilgrimage to the cradle of Western Civilization's musical heritage. To combine performances in exciting and historical venues with on-the-spot exposure to the music of the Masters is an enriching musical and educational experience.

Gluck, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Bruckner, Brahms, Strauss, Mahler, Schoenberg, Herbert von Karajan, Karl Böhm and numerous other musical personalities were all Austrian by birth or adoption. Vienna was their home. Their music influenced the entire world. Festival participants see their homes, their manuscripts, their musical instruments, venues of their incredible performances, and walk in their footsteps.



Suggested Itinerary

SALZBURG / MONDSEE / MELK / VIENNA

DAY ONE: ARRIVE

Depart via scheduled air service to Munich, Germany

DAY TWO: MUNICH / SALZBURG

Arrive in Munich

Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will assist the group to the awaiting motorcoach for a transfer to Salzburg

Take a panoramic *Sound of Music* city tour of Salzburg, including important movie sights such Mirabell Palace and Gardens, and the famed Gazebo located at Hellbrunn Palace

Check into a conveniently located hotel

Welcome Dinner and overnight

DAY THREE: SALZBURG

Enjoy a morning guided tour of Salzburg including Mirabell Palace and Gardens, Mozart Square, the Dom (cathedral), University Church, entrance to the Mozarthaus (Mozart's birthplace) and a cable car ride up to the Fortress (for an unparalleled view of the city below)

For Choirs only: Sing recital in Salzburg Dom

**For Instrumental groups only: Clinic with Faculty of the Mozarteum
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DAY FOUR: SALZBURG / MONDSEE / MELK / VIENNA

Transfer to Mondsee to visit St. Michael's Church (site of *The Sound of Music* wedding)

Continue to Melk to visit the world-famous Abbey (*where choirs may sing a short recital*). The Abbey of Melk which crowns a rocky bluff overlooking the Danube more than 150 ft. above the river, is the apogee of Baroque architecture in Austria

Continue to Vienna

DAY FIVE: VIENNA

Half-day guided tour of *Historical Vienna* includes the Ringstraße, Imperial Palace, State Opera, Town Hall, Burgkapelle (home of the Vienna Boys Choir), Palace Stables, Strauß Monument, and entrance to Schönbrunn Palace, built by the Hapsburgs in imitation of Versailles
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DAY SIX: VIENNA

For choirs: Sing recital at St. Stephen's Cathedral

Half-day guided tour of Musical Vienna includes entrance to the Haus der Musik (House of Music), a modern interactive sound museum located in the historic city center. This tour also includes the Museum of the Vienna Philharmonic, which is part of the House of Music. The Musical Vienna tour concludes with a visit (entrance included) to the Beethoven Heligenstadt apartment

Time permitting; enjoy a visit to the Vienna City Cemetery to visit the graves of Beethoven, Strauss, Brahms, Schubert and the Mozart Memorial
Evening Farewell Dinner and overnight

DAY SEVEN: DEPART FOR HOME

Transfer to Vienna's airport for the return flight





Potential Performance Venues

VIENNA & SURROUNDING AREAS

Karlskirche
Orangerie in Schönbrunn Palace
Minoritenkirche
St. Stephen's Cathedral
Kultursaal (Traiskirchen)

SALZBURG & SURROUNDING AREAS

University Church
Salzburg Dom (Cathedral)
Kapitelplatz
Mirabel Gardens
Lehar Theatre (Bad Ischl)
St. Nicholas Church (Bad Ischl)
Music Pavilion (Bad Ischl)
St. Aegidius Church (St. Gilgen)

INNSBRUCK

Jesuitenkirche
Musikpavillon

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

St. Nicholas Church
St. Vitus' Cathedral
St. Salvator Church
Rudolfinum
Smetana Hall

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Matthias Church
Liszt Music Academy
Nador Hall
St. Stephen's Church

Suggested Performance Tours in Austria

Tour 1 5 Nights / 7 Days

2 nights in Salzburg, 3 nights in Vienna

Tour 2 6 Nights / 8 Days

3 nights in Vienna, 2 nights in Salzburg, 1 night in Munich

Tour 3 7 Nights / 9 Days

3 nights in Vienna, 2 nights in Graz, 1 night in Salzburg, 1 night in Munich

Tour 4 7 Nights / 9 Days

2 nights in Salzburg, 3 nights in Vienna, 2 nights in Prague

Tour 5 8 Nights / 10 Days

2 nights in Innsbruck, 2 nights in Salzburg, 1 night in Graz, 3 nights in Vienna

Tour 6 8 Nights / 10 Days

2 nights in Budapest, 3 nights in Vienna, 3 nights in Prague

*These and all other Suggested Tours may be viewed on our website at www.musiccelebrations.com.
Fully-customized tours may also be created to meet your specific needs and interests.*



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