



**Vienna • Salzburg • Prague**  
**May 7 – 16, 2022**



You are cordially invited to join me, Kathlene Ritch, and friends of **KHFM** for a classical music journey to Vienna, Salzburg and Prague. Enjoy the beauty and pageantry of classical music as it was meant to be experienced, in Europe's most legendary symphony halls and opera houses! Visit the great composers' homes and walk in their historic footsteps through Central Europe's romantic musical capitals.

Your custom classical adventure also includes tickets to the 77<sup>th</sup> **Prague Spring Music Festival**, plus musical events in Salzburg and Vienna! And, don't forget, 2022 marks Beethoven's 252<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

We will celebrate Ludwig in style in the city he called home, Vienna! Walk in the footsteps of Haydn, Dvorak, Smetana, Liszt, Mozart, Schubert, Brahms and Beethoven with KHFM.  
*Space is limited.*

**TRIP AT A GLANCE**

4 Nights	Romantic Vienna
2 Nights	Mozart's Salzburg
3 Nights	Historic Prague



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## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

Celebrate Beethoven's 252<sup>nd</sup> birthday in style ♦ Tickets to the Prague International Music Festival ♦ Explore and learn about the life of both Mozart and Beethoven while in Vienna ♦ Private tours of the homes and museums devoted to Dvorak, Mozart and Beethoven ♦ Tour the Musikverein in Vienna, home of the Vienna Philharmonic orchestra ♦ A special chamber music concert in the monastery where Mozart worked, performed and lived ♦ Private guided walks in Salzburg, Vienna and Prague with local experts ♦ Special dining experiences in charming cafes, wine cellars and restaurants ♦ Vienna's Fine Art Museum and palaces ♦ A fun group of KHFM Radio friends

## IT'S INCLUDED!

- ❖ Travel with KHFM host Kathlene Ritch
- ❖ Guided by an Earthbound Expeditions program director
- ❖ Musical Events: Four classical concerts and special backstage tours
- ❖ Historic orientation and sightseeing walks in Vienna, Salzburg and Prague
- ❖ Nine nights of accommodation in splendid 4-star, centrally located hotels
- ❖ All breakfasts, five traditional lunches plus, three multi-course dinners  
*\*Lunches have been prioritized due to the fact that concerts will be held in the evenings.*
- ❖ Airport transfers in Europe for those arriving and departing with the group
- ❖ Transfers between Vienna, Salzburg and Prague by private motor coach
- ❖ Gratuities for your guide and driver
- ❖ All entrances to museums listed in your itinerary
- ❖ Alumni travel discounts applied towards future trips with KHFM and/or Earthbound Expeditions

## TRIP FACTS

10 Days/9 Nights (excluding air travel)  
\$4,595 per person, double occupancy (*Land Price*)  
\$975 single supplement  
Optional group flight departs the US: May 6, 2022  
Trip begins in Prague: May 7, 2022 at 6:00pm  
Trip ends in Vienna after breakfast: May 16, 2022



**GROUP AIR OPTION:** Details Coming in June, of 2021!

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*Experience the best of Vienna*

## YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS...

### **Day 0: Friday, May 6 – Depart home city for historic Vienna**

Remember, you'll need to depart the U.S. no later than today. An optional group flight will be offered.

### **Day 1: Saturday, May 7 – Arrive in Vienna, home to Mozart, Mahler, Strauss & Beethoven**

After checking into the hotel in the city center, rest up and relax before meeting your host and guide for a welcome orientation and dinner. *Sleep in Vienna (D)*

### **Day 2: Sunday, May 8 – In Pursuit of Mozart and Beethoven**

Enjoy a morning walking tour through the merry streets of Vienna. Accompanied by a local expert, learn why Vienna in the 18th century was the musical capital of Europe. Visit Mozart's house where he composed the Marriage of Figaro. After, you will have a guided tour of the Beethoven Pasqualati House, where Beethoven is known to have composed his Fourth, Fifth and Seventh Symphonies.

Enjoy a traditional Viennese lunch together before we enjoy a very special Mozart chamber music concert. The afternoon is yours to explore Vienna at your own pace.

*Sleep in Vienna (B, L)*



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*The Belvedere Museum Gardens and the Botanical Gardens*



### **Day 3: Monday, May 9 – Belvedere Museum Gardens and the Botanical Gardens**

Vienna's stunning Belvedere Palace houses the world's largest collection of paintings by Gustav Klimt, Monet and Manet. After touring this very fine museum, you may wish to explore the nearby gardens.

The Botanical Garden of the University of Vienna covers 8 hectares and is immediately adjacent to the Belvedere gardens. Established by Maria Theresa in 1754, visitors can look forward to about 12,000 types of plants from six continents. *Sleep in Vienna (B)*

**Day 4: Tuesday, May 10 – Vienna's Fine Art Museum & the Musikverein, home of the Vienna Philharmonic orchestra:** The Museum of Fine Arts ranks among the richest and most important art collections in the world. In its corridors, you'll find dazzling works by Bruegel, Rubens, Rembrandt, Vermeer, Dürer, Raphael, Titian and Velazquez. In addition, the Museum of Fine Arts is celebrating the life of Gustav Mahler. Mahler is regarded as a genius of the fin de siècle Vienna, a composer whose work is celebrated both as the culmination of the romantic symphony and a precursor to "Neue Musik." After our tour of the Museum of Fine Arts, enjoy an included lunch at a typical Viennese Café. We then tour the world-renowned Musikverein Symphony Hall.

This evening, enjoy a very special classical concert with one of these highly-respected institutions: The Vienna Philharmonic, The Vienna State Opera, or The Volksoper or Wiener Konzerthaus. *Sleep in Vienna (B, L)*



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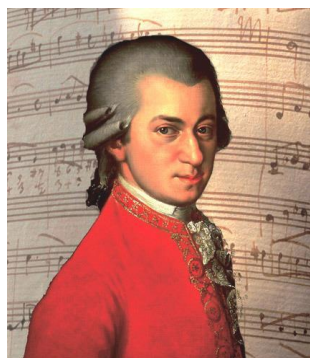


*Walk in Mozart's footsteps, Salzburg*

### **Day 5: Wednesday, May 11 – Baroque Monasteries, Wineries & Historic Salzburg**

This morning, we say “*Auf Wiedersehen*” to Vienna and head west towards Mozart’s birthplace, Salzburg!

Our journey takes us through the Wachau Danube Valley, one of the scenic river valleys in Europe, to the majestic baroque monastery of Melk. This monastery is said to have inspired Umberto Eco, who set his masterpiece *The Name of the Rose* in Melk. The awe-inspiring monastery is a treasure chest of paintings, sculptures, and decorative art, and its great library contains over 2000 volumes of medieval manuscripts. If our timing is right, we may even hear the timeless echoes of the monk’s Gregorian chants. After an independent lunch and an in-depth tour of the monastery, we are off to festive Salzburg. Our drive will take us past the village of Ansfelden, birthplace of Anton Bruckner. Enjoy dinner this evening with your host in Europe’s oldest restaurant. *Sleep in Salzburg* (B, D)



### **Day 6: Thursday, May 12 – In Pursuit of Mozart!**

Known as the baroque Florence of the North, Salzburg grew wealthy through the sale of salt and by its strategic location which linked northern Europe with the rich south.

Accompanied by a private Salzburg guide, we wind our way through the charming alleyways and streets to the very home where Mozart was born and raised. En route, your guide will point out the many sights made famous by *The Sound of Music*.



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The afternoon is yours to do as you please. You may wish to visit one of Europe's largest castles. Dating back to the 11th century, Hohensalzburg Castle was the property of the Archbishop of Salzburg. Ride a cog wheel train to the top, enjoy spectacular views and stop by the café for lunch. In the afternoon, meet your guide and host for a special evening concert. *Sleep in Salzburg (B)*

#### **Day 7: Friday, May 13 - North to Towering Prague via Quaint Bohemian Villages**

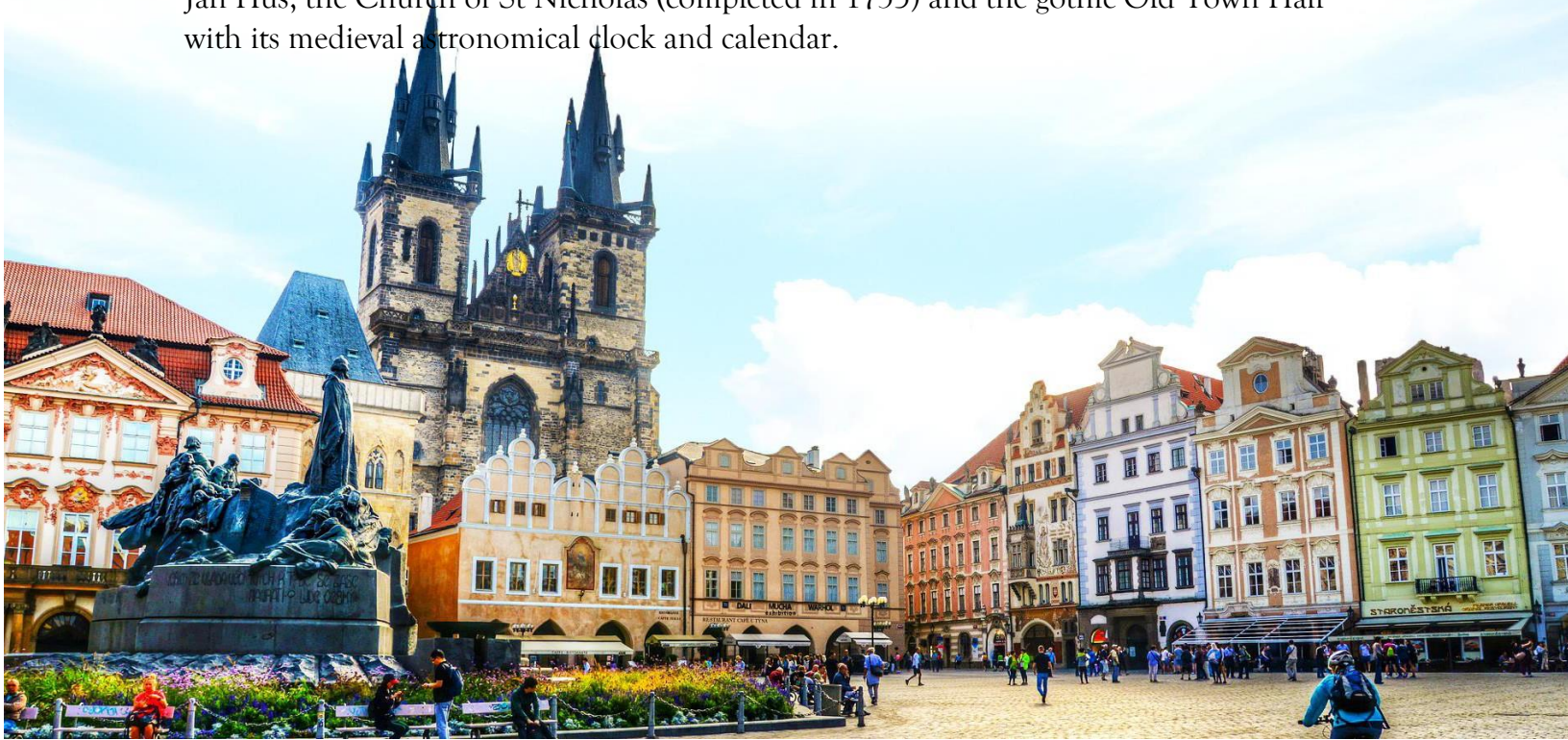
After breakfast, we drive north through the Bohemian countryside. Bedrich Smetana's masterpiece, the Vltava (1874), is the second symphonic poem in *Má Vlast* ('My Country'). Vltava portrays the river, Moldau in German, which flows through today's destination, the village of Cesky Krumlov.

Situated on the banks of the Vltava River, Cesky Krumlov is a hamlet built around a 13th-century castle with Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque elements. It is one of the most charming central European villages and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Stroll down the merry lanes, visit a Bohemian crystal shop or sample one of the many tasty Czech beers.

After lunch in Český Krumlov, our journey continues to the city of Prague! This afternoon we arrive in the soaring spires of Prague. Arguably Europe's most beautiful city, Prague is the birthplace of Franz Kafka and the city Mozart loved best. It's also our home for the next three nights. To celebrate our first evening in Prague, let's enjoy a traditional dinner together with your host KHFM host. *Sleep in Prague (D)*

#### **Day 8: Saturday, May 14 - Old Town & the Jewish Quarter, then the Prague Music Festival**

Our historic walking tour of Prague begins in the medieval center. The Old Town Square has been Prague's heart since the 10th century and was its main market place until the beginning of the 20th century. Within the square, you'll discover a massive monument to Jan Hus, the Church of St Nicholas (completed in 1735) and the gothic Old Town Hall with its medieval astronomical clock and calendar.







We then continue to Prague's historic Jewish Quarter. The Old-New Synagogue (Staronová synagóga), built around 1270, is the oldest working synagogue in Europe and one of Prague's earliest gothic buildings. The Old Cemetery, founded in 1478, is Europe's oldest surviving Jewish cemetery and is a highlight of the city tour. After the walking tour, enjoy some free time to explore the quaint lanes of this captivating capital. This evening, meet your guide and host to attend a special classical concert presented by the **Prague Spring International Music Festival**. *Sleep in Prague (B, L)*

#### **Day 9: Sunday, May 15 – Dvorak Villa and Music, Music, Music!**

This morning we are visit the fascinating Dvorak Villa. Here we will learn about the life of one of the Czech Republic's most distinguished composers. Our musical journey continues as we make our way to The Vyšehrad Cemetery. This is one of the most significant cemeteries in Prague. Over 600 famous people are buried here – writers, scientists, poets, artists, composers, actors, doctors, politicians, and others. At the cemetery's eastern end, you'll find the monumental tomb Slavín, where the nation's most famous personages are laid to rest such as Dvorak and Smetana.

A traditional delicious farewell Czech lunch is included.

This evening, meet your guide and host to attend a special classical concert **presented by the Prague Spring International Music Festival**. *Sleep in Prague (B, L)*

#### **Day 10: Monday, May 16 - Return home with a lifetime of happy memories!**

A complimentary airport transfer will be offered in conjunction with the group flight.

**Note:** Some may wish to stay on and enjoy a few more days in glorious Prague and the Music Festival! Ask our friendly staff for advice.



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## Meet Your KHFM Classical Host!



**Kathlene Ritch** brings knowledge of Classical Music and love for Broadway Musicals to the mid-days, and her Sunday Morning show includes The Sacred Hours from 7-10am. She started in Musical Theatre and earned a Bachelor's of Music Studies degree from the University of Texas at Austin. Kathlene has sung with the New York Philharmonic, London Sinfonietta, and the Vienna Philharmonic, and has been seen and heard on PBS on several occasions. A Santa Fe resident since 2011, Kathlene sings with the Santa Fe Desert Chorale and the Grammy-winning group Conspirare. Kathlene's first role onstage was as Marta in "The Sound of Music."

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