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YOUR TRIP HOSTS



Fred Child
Performance Today Host

Fred Child is the host of American Public Media's Performance Today, the most-listened-to

classical music radio show in America. Fred is also the commentator and announcer for Live from Lincoln Center, the only live performing arts series on television. In recent years, Fred has hosted a series of unique live national concert broadcasts. He has given concert talks for Lincoln Center, the Aspen Festival, and Summerfest La Jolla. His CD reviews have appeared on NPR's All Things Considered and his music reports have appeared on NPR's Morning Edition and Weekend Edition. He's been a contributor to Billboard magazine, and a commentator for BBC Radio 3. This will be Fred's seventh hosted adventure with Performance Today guests.



Amy Hyatt
Classical MPR

Amy Hyatt is a dynamic event and travel manager with over 25 years' experience,

currently working at American Public Media and Minnesota Public Radio. Her global success includes managing events, initiatives and group trips in over 40 countries, including as a member of two Olympic committees. Amy believes in the power of public media, travel, hospitality and empathy to transform the world. Her values and home are deeply rooted in Minnesota.



Matthew Brumley
Earthbound Expeditions

Matthew is the co-founder of Earthbound Expeditions and has been leading and

creating public radio and museum adventures worldwide for 25 plus years. After completing his undergraduate studies at the universities of Copenhagen and Moscow, he went on to attend the graduate program at the London School of Economics. He has lived in Copenhagen, Paris, London, Tel Aviv and San Jose, Costa Rica. Matthew resides on la Isla Bonita (Bainbridge Island) off the coast of Seattle, with his globetrotting wife Danna, son Liam and daughter Aiyana. You can find a collection of Matthew's aired public radio travel stories at KNKX-NPR, Going Places.



Artist in Residence & Concerts

Performance Today travelers will enjoy custom, educational talks and multiple private concerts with distinguished classical performers. In addition to ship board classical performances, you will also enjoy special included concerts in historic settings. Music program to be released 60 days prior to sailing.

A FLOATING CLASSICAL MUSIC, FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL LISBON PORTO SALAMANCA WINE COUNTRY QUAINT VILLAGES

MAY 1–10, 2023

Calling all classical music enthusiasts – as well as lovers of food, wine, art and history – for the 2023 PERFORMANCE TODAY Floating Classical Fest to Portugal and Spain with host **Fred Child!**

This exclusive PERFORMANCE TODAY voyage begins in Lisbon, where you'll be immersed in Portugal's diverse heritage. The fun continues as you travel north to charming Porto via Portugal's oldest university town, Coimbra. Savor traditional Portuguese cuisine in a seaside café and lose yourself in the cobblestone streets of Porto's medieval center before boarding the first-class, five anchor, newly built *MS Amalia Rodrigues* for a stunning seven night classical cruise highlighting Portugal and Spain's extraordinary cultural heritage.

Cruising the Douro River Valley by small ship we'll discover quaint villages, elegant estates and lush vineyards. Spend an afternoon at the remarkable Prehistoric Rock-Art Site of the Côa Valley which today is an **UNESCO** World Heritage Site. To top it off, you will enjoy evening Perf Chats on board with Performance Today host Fred Child and numerous classical performances, Portuguese fado and Spanish Flamenco. Our tailor-made custom voyage to Portugal and Spain promises to be an adventure unlike any other. A delightful blend of classical music, history, food and wine – all this trip needs is some public radio enthusiasts to complete the recipe for a perfect trip. Space is limited – Reserve now by calling 800-723-8454.

We look forward to seeing you in Portugal in 2023!

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per person
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for details





Plaza Mayor – Salamanca, Spain



Douro river and traditional boats – Porto, Portugal



Monument to the Discoveries – Lisbon

YOUR FLOATING MUSIC FEST BEGINS

DAY 0 APRIL 30: DEPART NORTH AMERICA FOR LISBON

You may opt to fly over a few days early, however, all travelers must depart North America by April 30, in order to attend the our first festive group gathering in Lisbon at 6:00pm on May 1. When booking your flight, please note that Earthbound Expeditions is providing complimentary airport transfers for guests arriving in Lisbon on May 1, between 8am and 12pm.

DAY 1 MAY 1: WELCOME TO PORTUGAL

Bem vindo a Portugal (Welcome to Portugal)! Guests arriving between 8am and 12pm today will be greeted at the airport and transferred to our 4 star hotel located in the heart of Lisbon. Rest up and relax before meeting your Earthbound Expeditions guide Matthew Brumley and PERFORMANCE TODAY host, Fred Child for a festive

welcome feast. *Sleep in the heart of Lisbon at the EPIC SANA Marquês Hotel (D)*

DAY 2 MAY 2: DISCOVER VIBRANT LISBON

Today's excursion begins in the Belém district with an in-depth tour of the Jerónimos Monastery, one of the most prominent examples of Portuguese late Gothic Manueline style of architecture and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Don't miss the Monument to the Discoveries: a romantic celebration of Portugal's Age of Exploration during the 15th and 16th centuries. End your day stepping back in time in the medieval alleys of the Alfama District, named by the Moors who gave this historic district its distinct atmosphere. Certainly Lisbon's most emblematic quarter, it's also the most rewarding to walkers and photographers with spectacular views and enchanting architecture. *Sleep in Lisbon. (B)*



Belem Tower on the Tagus River



DAY 3 MAY 3: NORTH TO PORTO VIA COIMBRA

MUSIC EVENT

After breakfast, we depart for the vibrant university town of Coimbra, one of Europe's oldest university towns and the birthplace of six Portuguese kings. After an independent lunch, we arrive in Porto in the late afternoon and board our luxury river ship, the *MS Amalia Rodrigues*. Enjoy a welcome aboard briefing by the captain and guides, followed by dinner. Sleep aboard the *MS Amalia Rodrigues*. **Classical Performance Today.** (B,D)

DAY 4 MAY 4: EXPLORE PORTO, PORTUGAL

MUSIC EVENT

You'll spend a full day in Porto, Portugal's second largest city. The historic riverfront with its colorful houses is a well-deserved UNESCO World Heritage Site. Along with local experts, you'll admire the city's artful bridges, gorgeous Baroque cathedral and grand plazas. Enjoy the vibrant, bustling atmosphere in the narrow cobblestone streets of the Ribeira district. And of course, no visit would be complete without tasting the namesake drink, so we have arranged

a visit with a local wine maker to sample some port wine. Lunch will be served on board the ship and you'll have the afternoon for independent discovery. Your local guides will assist with suggestions such as Guimarães and its medieval quarter or wine and port lovers may choose to visit the famed Graham's 1890 Lodge to sample a selection of their world-class ports. This evening, you'll dine on board and enjoy an evening classical concert while watching the sunset over the harbor. Sleep onboard. **Classical Performance Today.** (B,L,D)

DAY 5 MAY 5: RÉGUA, PORTUGAL

MUSIC EVENT

Sailing east up the Douro River, by midday we arrive in Régua. After lunch, an excursion is planned to the Vila Real and the fabulous Mateus Palace. This gorgeous Baroque palace, famous for its grand staircase and priceless antiques, was the home of the last count of Vila Real. After our tour, enjoy a wine tasting at a nearby vineyard. We rejoin the ship at Pinhão. This evening you'll be treated to another delicious dinner onboard and a sunset classical concert. Sleep onboard. **Classical Performance Today.** (B,L,D)

TRIP FACTS

- 10 Days/ 9 Nights
- 2 nights in Lisbon and 7 nights onboard the *MS Amalia Rodrigues*
- All ship cabins with outside views

DAY 6 MAY 6: BARCA D'ALVA, PORTUGAL

MUSIC EVENT

Enjoy a leisurely morning as we continue cruising east along the Douro past extraordinary steep rock formations, lush terraced vineyards, and charming bridges and trestles en-route to Barca d'Alva, located near the Spanish border. After lunch, enjoy a scenic excursion to the 12th century Castelo Rodrigo, towering above the valleys below. This ancient stronghold was a place of refuge for Jews during the Spanish Inquisition, evidence of which is found on Sinagoga Street.



We return to the ship in the late afternoon stopping along the way where the views are at their best. **Classical Performance Today.** Sleep onboard. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 MAY 7: A FULL DAY IN STUNNING SALAMANCA, SPAIN!

MUSIC EVENT

We're in Spain today and we'll tour Salamanca's most interesting sights. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, this elegant town is the home of an ancient Roman bridge, a towering Gothic cathedral and a thriving university. Salamanca also boasts Spain's most beautiful central plaza. After a morning orientation tour, the day is yours to relax, stroll and seek out your own Spanish treasure. In the late afternoon meet the ship in Vega de Terrón. Sleep onboard. **Classical Performance Today.** (B,D)

DAY 8 MAY 8: PINHÃO, PORTUGAL

MUSIC EVENT

Sail west down the Douro passing some of the region's most beloved vineyards. Disembark for a short scenic drive up to the little village of Favaio. This small town is one of the six official wine producing villages of the Douro Valley. Enjoy a visit to the bread and wine museum and enjoy some of the local products before continuing on for lunch at Quinta da Avesada, a rustic centuries-old winery in the heart of the Douro Wine District (another UNESCO World Heritage Site). Here we sample some local varieties of wine, such

FLOATING CLASSICAL MUSICAL FEST HIGHLIGHTS

- Numerous private classical concerts in historic venues, wineries and on board your first-class luxury ship
- Performances by highly acclaimed international classical musicians
- Exclusive Performance Today shore excursions with two pre-cruise nights in Lisbon
- Daily talks on music, architecture, wine, food and history
- All custom shore excursions included
- Excursion to Salamanca, Spain
- Two pre-cruise days of discovery in Lisbon
- A full day exploring vibrant Porto
- The Douro wine route with its unique UNESCO-listed landscape
- The Prehistoric UNESCO Rock-Art Site of the Côa Valley
- Gratuities for all local guides and drivers (for all shore excursions)
- Travel with like-minded public radio guests who share your passions

as Moscatel. In the late afternoon we return to the ship to make the return voyage to Porto! Sleep onboard. **Classical Performance Today.** (B,L,D)

DAY 9 MAY 9: RÉGUA LAMEGO TOUR AND BÔLAS TASTING

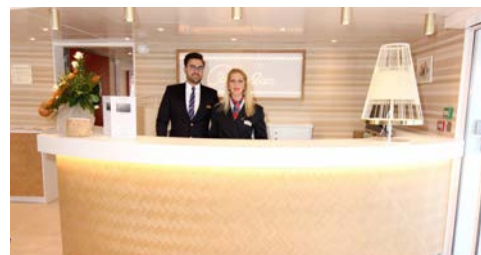
MUSIC EVENT Travel to charming Lamego, a renowned and important pilgrimage site. Visit the Nossa Senhora dos Remédios (Sanctuary of Our Lady of Remedies) which features exquisitely decorated white and blue tiles. For the more active, you may wish to set out on a hike. This afternoon sample local traditional specialties, such as Bôlas de Lamego, bread filled with

smoked ham; Presunto, a type of dry-cured ham; and Espumante, a delicious Portuguese sparkling wine. After, we visit the Episcopal Palace Museum which houses the Museu de Lamego. Lovers of archeology, paintings and tapestries will greatly enjoy their time here. **Classical Performance Today.** (B,L,D)

DAY 10 MAY 10: YOUR JOURNEY CULMINATES

Your classical journey officially ends after breakfast today. Early and mid-morning complimentary airport transfers will be included for anyone departing by air this morning. Return home with a lifetime of happy memories. Bon Voyage!





YOUR CLASSICAL HOME: *MS AMALIA RODRIGUES*

Exclusively chartered for guests of Performance Today, this premium-class, innovative, 3-deck riverboat features a contemporary interior design, a top-deck pool and 66 staterooms that accommodate up to 132 passengers. The ship's names honors Amalia Rebordao Rodrigues (1920-1999) a Portuguese fado singer and actress also known as "Rainha do Fado" ("Queen of Fado"). Until her death, Amalia had over 30 million records (produced by Valentim de Carvalho) sold worldwide. She remains Portugal's best-selling artist ever.

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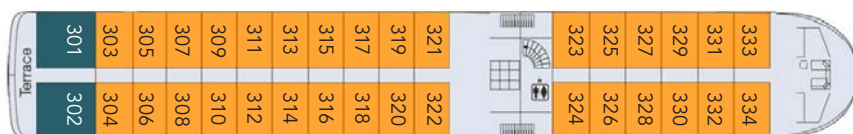


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YOUR FLOATING CLASSICAL-WINE FEST

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Beethoven – Top Deck

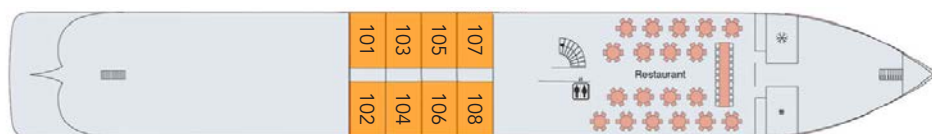


Bach – Mid Deck



Double cabins
Suites

Brahms – Lower Deck



IT'S INCLUDED: 10 DAYS – 21 MEALS
CLASSICAL CONCERTS, AND **ALL** SHORE EXCURSIONS

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Bach-Mid Deck	\$5,645	-\$200	-\$100	\$5,345
Bach-Mid Deck Suites	\$6,145	-\$200	-\$100	\$5,845
Beethoven-Top Deck	\$6,145	-\$200	-\$100	\$5,845
Beethoven-Top Deck Suites	\$7,145	-\$200	-\$100	\$6,845



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FOR TRAVEL ALUMNI

Single Travelers: Upper deck add: \$2,395. Mid Deck add \$1,795. Space is limited.

Not included: Gratuities for ship staff, travel insurance and any items not mentioned in your itinerary. Port taxes, charges & fees are currently at \$199 and are additional. Fuel surcharges may apply.

Savings: \$100 discount applies for all Performance Today or Earthbound travel alum.

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