

CHAPERONE & GUEST APPLICATION - Musical Escapades Through Italy 2022

3 Weeks: June 19 – July 10

Return to Director Rizzo Before October 15th, 2021 with \$1,000 Deposit

Becoming a Chaperone, or traveling with METI as a guest is a unique, rewarding and beautiful experience. You get to see firsthand what goes on behind the scenes, and witness our musicians interact and make memories that will last a lifetime. We welcome a limited number of adults and guests who fit the criteria. Below is some basic information:

- Chaperone/Guest Price and payment plan is the same for all travelers - \$5,500 plus airfare (please refer to the payment plan on the Pricing & Itinerary doc.) A deposit of \$1,000 is due with this application on or before October 15, 2021. Credit Card Payments may be made at www.mountaintopstrings.org. Mail checks or money order to MTSC, c/o Sharon Rizzo, P.O. Box 71, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315
- International travel experience is preferred but not required.
- Chaperones are responsible for the whereabouts and safety of a small group of students.
- We ask that all travelers help with the music festival while on tour, and sometimes before the tour as we are getting ready. More info on how you can help will be available as the trip gets closer. If you have a specific talent or experience in any area, please let Director Rizzo know. It takes a village!
- Chaperones will get some free time, and possibly be able to rotate some duties.
- Tax Benefit! Your trip and all expenses are tax deductible.

We appreciate positive, enthusiastic adults who are there for the main purpose of the music festival and to support the musicians. Below are some things to think about when traveling with the group:

Positive Attitude: Please always have a positive attitude. Your attitude on tour filters down to students. At times things can be challenging both physically and socially. Find the good in every situation, you are making memories!

Work as a team: Adults and Chaperones must be flexible and able to work well as a team with other adults. Must have a good rapport with students/young adults.

Stay Calm: Please keep calm, cool and collected in any adverse or stressful situation. Things don't always go as expected.

Music Tour, not a vacation: Please think of this trip as an educational experience for the METI musicians as opposed to a personal or family vacation. Support the main purpose of the tour, the musicians and the music.

Good health: Must be in excellent health and physically able to keep up with the group. The group should not be held up at any time by an adult or extra person. Things can move fast at times.

Clean Record: Must have no criminal record, chaperones and extras may be subject to a background check.

"I certify that I fit all of the criteria to become a chaperone on the 2022 Musical Escapades Through Italy"

Name as it appears on Passport: _____

Name of your musician traveling with METI, if you are a parent: _____

Your Passport Number: _____ (Need by February 1st)

Signature _____ Date _____