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KITCHENER WATERLOO COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA 2024 PERFORMANCE TOUR TO ITALY: June/July 2024

Proposed Itinerary: updated. May 2, 2024

Subject to revision as itinerary develops

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Rehearsals in KW			
Sun June 9	2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	The Pavilion, Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex, 101 Father David Bauer Dr, Entrance C, Waterloo, ON N2L 0B4	
Sun June 9	6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	The Pavilion, Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex, 101 Father David Bauer Dr, Entrance C, Waterloo, ON N2L 0B4	
Sat June 15	10:30 am - 1:00 pm	All Saints Anglican Church, 400 Northfield Dr W, Waterloo, ON N2L 0A6	
Sat June 15	2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	All Saints Anglican Church, 400 Northfield Dr W, Waterloo, ON N2L 0A6	
Group 1 (Early Arrival)			
Thur June 20	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AC 420 / AC 818, 5:00 pm June 20 departure<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 1h 32m layover in Montreal• <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i>	
Fri June 21	10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arrive at Venice (VCE) airport on Air Canada flight AC 420/ AC 818 (from Toronto)• Clear Immigration & Customs• Meet tour managers & private coaches• Transfer by coach to Bassano del Grappa (50 miles)	Bassano del Grappa Restaurants

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i> 	
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent sight-seeing and lunch • Continue by coach to Cremona (130 miles) • Check in to the hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Hotel Continental 	Cremona Hotel Continental
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dinner independent 	
Sat June 22	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast in the hotel • Time at leisure in Cremona for independent sight-seeing and shopping 	Cremona Things to do
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch independent • At leisure 	
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dinner independent 	Restaurants
Group 2			
Fri June 21	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AC 816, 6:55 pm June 21 departure • <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i> 	
Sat June 22	9:40 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrive at Venice (VCE) airport on Air Canada flight AC 816 (from Toronto) • Clear Immigration & Customs • Meet tour managers & private coaches • Transfer by coach to Bassano del Grappa (50 miles) • <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i> 	Bassano del Grappa Restaurants
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent sight-seeing and lunch • Continue by coach to Cremona (130 miles) • Check in to the hotel 	Cremona Hotel Continental
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dinner independent 	Restaurants
Core Trip, both Group 1 and Group 2			
Sun June 23	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast in the hotel • Walk from hotel to Museo del Violino (c. 20 minutes through pedestrianised town centre) 	Museo del Violino
	10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private recital in museum's Auditorium for whole group 	
	10:40 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group 1: guided tour of the museum 	
	10:45 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group 2: guided tour of the museum 	
	10:50 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group 3: guided tour of the museum 	
	noonish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of tour and walk to restaurant 	
	12:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Meal 1 in a restaurant in central Cremona 	

	2:00 pm 3:15 pm 3.45-5.45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Return to hotel to collect instruments Meet instrument truck of hired items at rehearsal location and set up 2 h Rehearsal in Cortile Federico II 	Cortile Federico II
	6:00 pm 8:30 pm 9:00 pm 10:15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instruments may be left in nearby locked room Independent dinner and time to return to hotel to change Meet back at concert location Concert in Cortile Federico II, as part of the Cremona Summer Festival After concert walk back to hotel 	
Mon June 24	Morning 10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast in the hotel Check out of hotel & load coaches Depart by coach for Sirmione (c.70 miles/1 hour) Time to explore Sirmione and walk by the lake 	Sirmione Things to do
	2:30 pm 3:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lunch independent in Sirmione Meet by city gates and walk to coaches Transfer by coach to hotel Check in to hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Desenzano Palace Hotel At leisure. Time to relax and enjoy the hotel pool 	Desenzano
	8:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group Meal 2: La Tavernetta del Pescatore <ul style="list-style-type: none"> short walk from hotel 	
Tue June 25	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast in the hotel At leisure in Desenzano to enjoy the town on the banks of Lake Garda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday is market day Option to take public boat on lake (e.g. to Salò) 	Things to do Lake Garda Salo
	5:00 pm 6:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lunch independent At leisure in Desenzano Transfer by coach from hotel to Cavriana (12 miles/30 mins) Meet concert organisers and set up Rehearsal 	Cavriana
	9:00 pm ~12:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dinner independent Concert in Giardino di Villa Mirra, Cavriana After concert return to hotel by coach Arrive back at hotel 	Giardino di Villa Mirra
Wed June 26	Morning 9:45 am 11:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast in the hotel Check out of hotel & load coaches Transfer by coach to Mantova/Mantua (c.50 miles/1 hr 20) Meet local guides for walking tour of Mantova. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Piazza Sordello, Duomo, Cattedrale di Sant'Andrea and entrance to Teatro Bibiena 	Mantua Piazza Sordello Duomo (Cathedral) Cattedrale di Sant'Andrea Teatro Bibiena

		(closes 1-3pm)	
	Afternoon 4:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lunch independent ● Continue by coach to Verona (c.40 miles/1 hour) ● Check into the Hotel Leon D'Oro 	Verona Hotel Leon D'Oro
	7:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Walk into historic centre ● Dinner independent ● Walk back to hotel 	
Thu June 27	10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel ● Walk to Piazza Bra with tour managers ● Meet local guides for walking tour of Verona, including entrance to the arena 	Verona Arena
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lunch independent ● At leisure in Verona 	Things to do
	9:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dinner independent ● Optional: Opera in the Arena: Rossini's Il Barbiere di Siviglia - booked independently) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 20 m walk from hotel to arena ○ Arena open 2h before start of opera 	Barber of Seville Opera tickets
Fri June 28	9:15 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel ● Optional; independent train into Venice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Approximately 1.5 h by train ● Depart hotel by coach for Vicenza (40 miles/c.1 hour) 	Venice Vicenza
	10:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meet local guides for walking tour with local guides, including entrance to Teatro Olimpico 	Teatro Olimpico
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lunch independent ● At leisure in Vicenza ● Return by coach to hotel in Verona 	Things to do
	9:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dinner independent ● Optional: Opera in the Arena: Verdi's Aida - booked independently) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 20 m walk from hotel to arena ○ Arena open 2h before start of opera 	Aida Opera tickets
Sat June 29	10:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel ● Check out & load coaches (Bus 1 = Airport Hotel Quid; Bus 2 = Hotel Giorgione, Venice) ● Transfer by coach to Dolo (70 miles/c.1hr 25) 	Dolo
	12:15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Group Meal 3: Farewell lunch in Ristorante Villa Ducale, Dolo ● Walk from restaurant to meet private boat 	Ristorante Villa Ducale
	5:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Boat tour of Palladian Villas on Riviera Brenta ● Meet coaches at Villa La Malcontenta (Villa Foscari) 	Riviera Brenta Villa La Malcontenta
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bus 1: Continue by coach to Hotel Quid, near Venice airport 	

	c.6.00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Arrive at Hotel Quid and check in ● Dinner independent 	
	c.6.00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bus 2 (VE): Continue by coach to Venice (Tronchetto) ● Boat transfer from Tronchetto coach park to Venice island ● Check in to Hotel Giorgione ● Dinner independent 	Hotel Giorgione
Sun June 30 Group 1	9:15 am 9:30 am 12:40 pm 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel and check out ● Transfer by coach to Venice airport (VCE) (8 miles) ● Check in at Venice airport (VCE) for Air Canada flight AC 817 to Toronto (YYZ) ● Departure of flight ● Arrive Toronto (YYZ) 	
Sun June 30 Group 2 (VE)	10:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel ● Meet 2 local guides at the hotel. ● TOUR MANAGER DEPARTS ● Guided walking tour of Venice (no entrances included) 	Venice
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lunch independent ● At leisure to explore Venice 	Things to do
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dinner independent 	
Mon July 1 Group 2 (VE)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel ● Full day at leisure to explore Venice ● Lunch and dinner independent 	
Tue July 2 Group 2 (VE)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel ● Full day at leisure to explore Venice ● Lunch and dinner independent 	
Wed July 3 Group 2 (VE)	12:40 pm departure, 4:05 pm arrival	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast in the hotel ● Check out of the hotel ● Independent transfers to Venice airport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ by water taxi ○ or Alilaguna public boat, ○ or your continued travels elsewhere. (Please make your own arrangements for this. Hotel and tour manager should be able to assist with this when you arrive in Venice) ● Majority of Venice extension group are travelling on Air Canada flight 817, Venice to Toronto, direct flight 	

Accommodation

June (21), 22, 23 Cremona	Hotel Continental Piazza della Libertà 26 26100 Cremona Tel. 0372 434141	http://www.hotelcontinentalcremona.it/
June 24, 25 Desenzano	Palace Hotel Viale F. Agello 114A 25015 Desenzano del Garda Tel. +39 030 553999	http://www.palacehoteldesenzano.it/
June 26, 27, 28 Verona	Hotel Leon d'Oro Viale Piave 5 37135 Verona Tel: +39 045 844 5140	http://www.hotelleondoroverona.com/
Group 1 June 29 Mestre	Hotel The Quid Via Terraglio, 15 30174 - Mestre (VE) Tel: +39 041 239 5611	http://www.quidhotelvenice.com/
Group 2 (VE) June 29, 30 July 1,2	Hotel Giorgione Calle Larga dei Proverbi Cannaregio 4587 30121 Venice Tel: +39 041 522 5810	http://www.hotelgiorgione.com/

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