

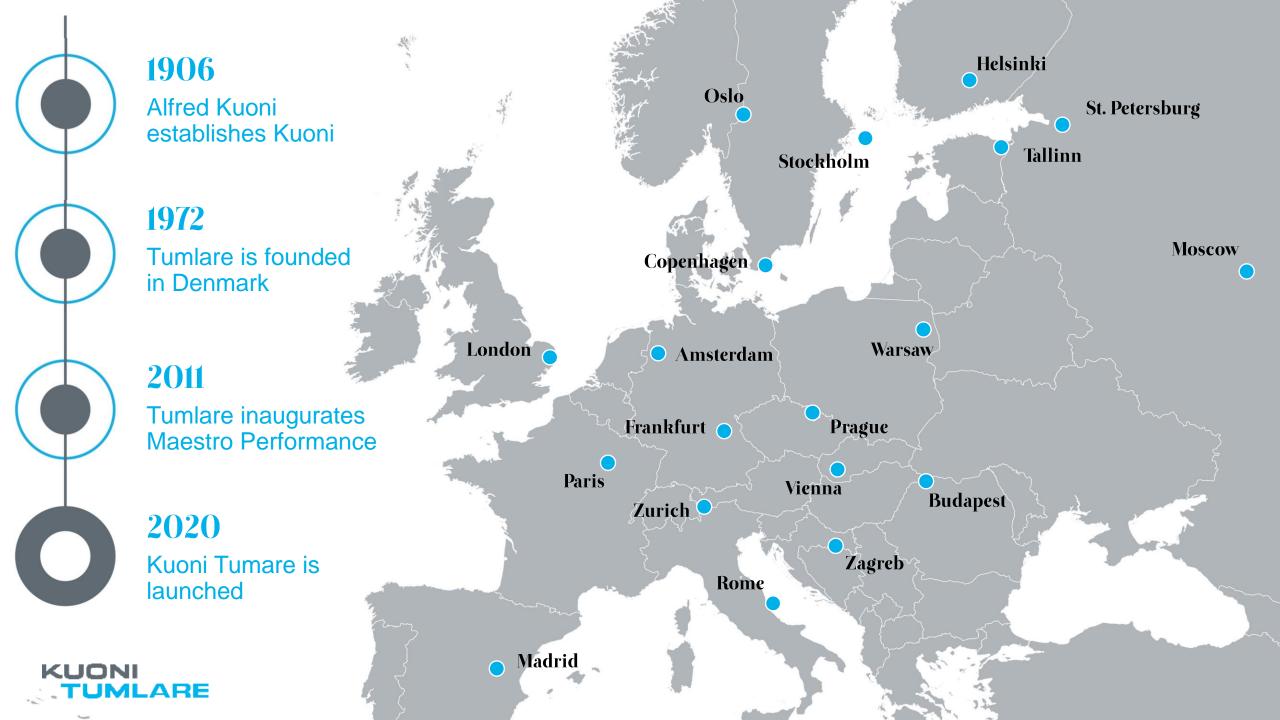
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Greater Connecticut Youth Orchestras Mr. Christopher Hisey, Music Director Ms. Beth Ulman, Executive Director Deutschland

9-day performance tour July 2 – 10, 2024

Featuring Rhine River, Cologne, Bonn, Eisenach, Leipzig, Dresden, Berlin, and Potsdam

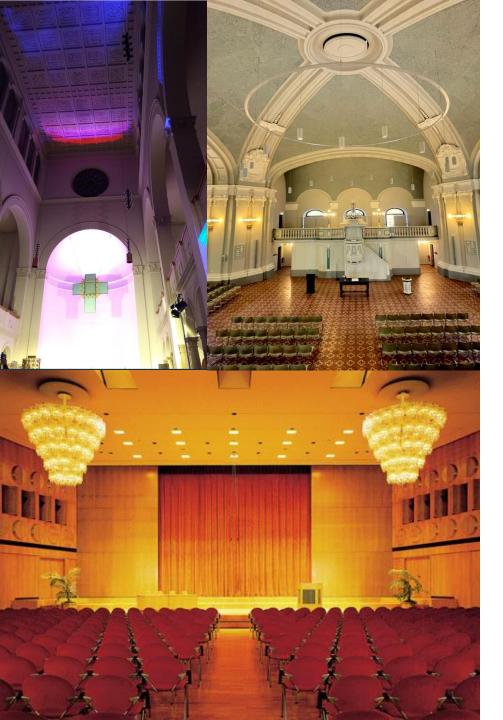




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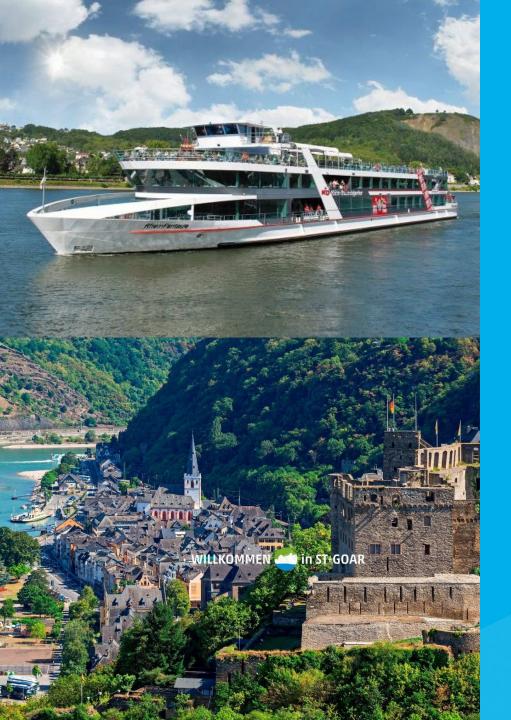
What to expect on tour!

- Round-trip flights from the New York/Newark area
- Airline taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges
- Full-time professional bilingual tour managers
- Private deluxe motor-coaches
- Well located 4-star hotels, twin/double rooms
- Hotel city taxes
- 2 nights Cologne, 2 nights Leipzig, and 3 nights Berlin
- Daily breakfast (7) and most dinners (5)
- Sightseeing and entrances with local guides
- Standard tips for tour managers, guides, and drivers
- Safety & Security; 24/7 Emergency Hotline
- On-line registration and payment with Mastercard & Visa
- Optional health and travel protection plans, including CFAR



Performance arrangements!

- Local experts managing your performances from our Frankfurt Office in Germany
- Custom matched venues
- Instrument rental and transport
- Professional on-site assistance
- Rehearsals at venues
- Fully promoted events
- Customized concert posters, flyers, programs
- Enthusiastic audiences
- THREE CONCERTS!
- Cologne's Trinitatiskirche, or similar
- Leipzig's Gewandhaus' Mendelssohn Hall, or similar
- Berlin's Franzosische Kirke Gendarmenmakt, or similar



day 1: Tuesday, July 2, 2024 OVERNIGHT FLIGHT

day 2: Wednesday, July 3, 2024 RHINE RIVER/COLOGNE (D)

- > Arrive in Frankfurt's international airport
- ➤ Meet your tour managers
- > Transfer to Cologne
- Along the way cruise along the historic and romantic Rhine River
- Visit the charming town of Sankt Goar, with free time for an independent lunch
- ➤ Hike up to the 13th century Rheinfels Castle Ruins
- Your day ends in the cultural hub of Cologne
- Check-in to your hotel, refresh from your journey, and enjoy <u>dinner</u>



day 3: Thursday, July 4, 2024 BONN/COLOGNE (B/D)

- > Breakfast at the hotel
- > Enjoy a morning excursion to nearby Bonn
- Walking tour in the footsteps of Ludwig van Beethoven, with <u>local guides</u>
- Including Beethoven Haus
- > Time for independent exploration & lunch
- Return to Cologne for <u>guided</u> panoramic sightseeing and walking tour, visiting Old Town and <u>Cologne Cathedral</u>
- > Prepare or your performance with a two-hour rehearsal
- > Dinner at local restaurant
- Present your
 Cologne Concert!







day 4: Friday, July 5, 2024 EISENACH/LEIPZIG (B)

- > Breakfast at the hotel
- Journey across Germany this morning
- Visit Eisenach, birthplace of Johann Sebastian Bach
- Tour UNESCO World Heritage Site of Wartburg Castle, with its history of Wagner's operas & Martin Luther
- Continue to Leipzig
- Check-in to your hotel
- ➤ Your tour managers will familiarize you with the pedestrian Old Town, and there is time for an independent dinner



day 5: Saturday, July 6, 2024 LEIPZIG (B/D)

- > Breakfast at the hotel
- ➤ Join local guides for a walking tour of historic Leipzig, including a variety of composer sites
- ➤ Visit the Mendelssohn Haus, Bach Haus, and Thomaskirche—where J.S. Bach served as Choirmaster for 27 years, and now his final resting place
- There is free time for further exploration and lunch, you may wish to visit the Schumann Haus on your own
- > Prepare or your performance with a 90-minute rehearsal
- ▶ Dinner at a local restaurant
- Present your Leipzig Concert!



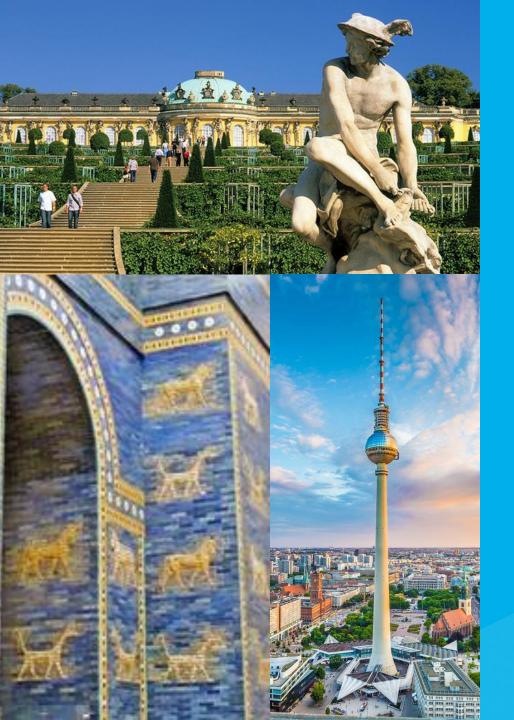
day 6: Sweday, July 7, 2024 DRESDEN/BERLIN (B/D)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- > Transfer to Germany's capital city
- > Along the way, visit Dresden with **local guides**
- ➤ Visit the <u>Frauenkirche</u> to learn of J.S. Bach's role as Royal Court Composer under the reign of Augustus III
- Behind-the-scenes tour of the <u>Semperoper</u>, host of more than 40 world premieres, and home to Staatskapelle Dresden, Germany's oldest continuous orchestra
- > The day ends in Berlin
- Check-in to your hotel, enjoy <u>dinner</u>, and a <u>Beatles musical performance</u>



day 7: Monday, July 8, 2024 BERLIN (B)

- > Breakfast at the hotel
- ➤ Tour Berlin—the historic and reunited capital of Germany, devastated in WWII and divided by the Allied powers
- Meet <u>local guides</u> for a panoramic and walking tour, highlighting portions of the Berlin Wall, Brandenburg Gate, Holocaust Memorial, and the Reichstag, with entrance to <u>Checkpoint Charlie Museum</u>
- Enjoy a guided tour of Philharmonie Berlin and their performance halls
- > Prepare or your performance with a 90-minute rehearsal
- > Independent dinner
- Present your Berlin Concert!



day 8: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 POTSDAM/BERLIN (B/D)

- > Breakfast at the hotel
- Discover nearby Potsdam, home to Prussian Royalty
- Visit Sanssouci Palace & Gardens with local guides
- Sightseeing of Berlin continues this afternoon, with a visit to the <u>Pergamon Museum</u>, highlighting the Pergamon Altar and other full-scale architectural reconstructions from Greek and Roman antiquity
- Celebrate with tonight's <u>dinner finale</u>, with traditional German food and atmosphere
- ➤ Visit the top of the <u>Berliner Fernsehturm</u> with skip-the-line access to the observation tower

day 9: Wednesday, July 10, 2024 DEPARTURE (B)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transfer to the airport for your return <u>flights</u> home



\$4699 with early

registration! Register by

October 15th and a \$300 discount will be applied to your account

tour cost, registration, payments

- \$4999 per person, based on a minimum of 70 paying participants
- Register online with link from GCTYO's website
- Kuoni Tumlare will acknowledge receipt via email and invoice for additional payments
- Single room supplement \$520
- Alternate return fee \$200+
- Land-only discount -\$1200
- Student Deluxe Protection Plan \$135 // Student Deluxe CFAR \$202.50
- \$300 deposit upon booking
- \$900 payments September 21, November 16, January 25 final payment due March 29



optional health & travel protection plans

- Provided through Travel Insured International
- Summary of benefits:
- Trip Cancellation/Interruption up to trip cost*
- Trip delay \$750
- Baggage & personal effects \$1500
- Emergency medical expenses \$25,000
- Emergency evacuation/repatriation \$100,000
- Optional CFAR provides up to 75% of non-refundable funds, if cancelled 48hrs in advance
- Please see Schedule of Coverage and Services for complete details



cancellation policy

- Applicable to all cancellations unless covered by protection plan
- \$200 non-refundable outside of 125 days prior to departure
- Penalty of 20% of tour cost within 125 days of departure
- Penalty of 40% of tour cost within 94 days of departure
- Penalty of 50% of tour cost within 64 days of departure
- Penalty of 100% of tour cost within 34 days of departure

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Register!
Travel documents!

U.S. citizens require a valid passport validity of 6 months recommended, and 3 months required)

Rehearse!

Look forward to your tour!





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