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New Year's Concert of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra in the Golden Hall of the Musikverein

## CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S 2017 IN VIENNA

CALLING ALL CLASSICAL MUSIC LOVERS....

Are you one of the millions of classical music lovers who have dreamt of attending the New Year's concert of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra in the Golden Hall of the Musikverein? Well this is the year you can make that dream come true. Pauwels Travel Bureau together with our favorite on location supplier in Vienna are offering a limited number of tickets to be part of the celebrations. While not an escorted tour from Canada, our representative will arrange to meet you at Vienna airport, and make you part of his international delegation.

*Program highlights include the Preview Concert of the New Year's Day Concert of the Vienna Philharmonic under the fiery baton of **Gustavo Dudamel** in this historic Viennese concert hall, Johann Strauss's Opera "**Die Fledermaus**" (The Bat) at the Vienna State Opera and **Beethoven's 9th Symphony** at the magnificent Art Nouveau **Konzerthaus**. To top it off, you have the option to attend **the New Year's Eve Ball** at the Imperial Palace on December 31<sup>st</sup>.*

**Thursday, December 29, 2016 to Tuesday, January 3, 2017**

Tour cost - "Land only" \$5,100 – Single Supplement \$1,120 in CAD  
Price per person based on double occupancy  
Air from Toronto and additional night's stays are available on request

**Deadline for Booking is June 15, 2016. Space is limited, early booking is strongly recommended to avoid disappointment.**

## PROPOSED ITINERARY

### Day 1 – Thursday, December 29, 2016:

Morning arrival in Vienna where you will be met by our English speaking tour guide who will welcome you as you exit the customs area at the airport and accompany you during the transfer from the airport to the hotel. We suggest that you have lunch on your own before or after checking into your hotel, the **Austria Trend Hotel Europa**, a 4-star

hotel in the centre of Vienna on Kaerntnerstrasse, the pedestrian boulevard from the Vienna State Opera to St. Stephen's Cathedral.



*Vienna, for the 7<sup>th</sup> time in the row, crowned as the most liveable city in the world in the 2016 Mercer report, is one of the great capitals of Europe and for centuries seat of the Habsburgs, rulers of the Holy Roman*

*and Austro-Hungarian Empire. It is known throughout the world as the City of Music. Many famous composers, including Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Brahms, Strauss (father and son), Mahler, Gluck, and Bruckner all lived and worked here. Famous sites include the St. Stephen's Cathedral, the Vienna City Hall, the Hofburg (Imperial Palace), Schoenbrunn and Belvedere Palaces, the Musikverein and Konzerthaus, the State Opera House, Mozart's "Figaro House," to name a few.*

Welcome Reception and talk by a member of the **Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. Welcome dinner at the famous restaurant and hotel Sacher.** Overnight in Vienna (1).

### Day 2 – Friday, December 30, 2016:

After breakfast we will enjoy the New Year's Concert (full concert preview) with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra at the **Golden Hall of the Musikverein under the baton of Gustavo Dudamel**, the charismatic conductor of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. It is the same concert that 50 million people in 90 countries around the world will be watching on TV on January 1, 2017. It will be Maestro Dudamel's first New Year's Concert with the Vienna Philharmonic. He is the youngest conductor ever to be invited. You can be looking forward to a sparkling and energetic New Year's Concert 2017.



In the afternoon enjoy a guided **walking tour of Vienna** with an English-speaking local guide. The tour starts with a visit of the Habsburg's greatest legacies, the **Schatzkammer** (treasury), containing not only the crown jewels of the emperors, but also one of Europe's finest collections of "objets d'art", imperial garments





and religious items. You will also see the Museums of Fine Arts and Natural History (picture on right) and the Postal Savings Bank.

Optional Activities in the afternoon and evening:

a) Take a 90-minute **Viennese Waltz class** in the afternoon at Vienna's premier dance studio to prepare you confidently for the New Year's Ball (Le Grand Bal) in the Imperial Palace.

b) Optional performance at the **Vienna State Opera**, details to be announced.

No group dinner this evening. Overnight in Vienna (2).

Day 3 – Saturday, December 31, 2016:

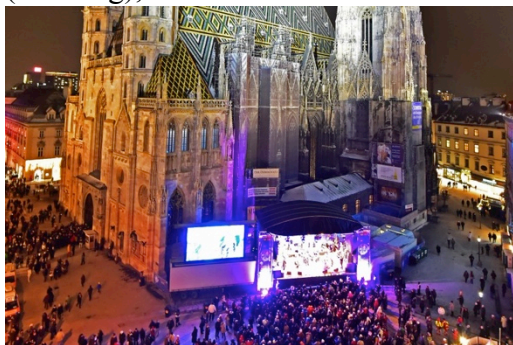
Breakfast at the hotel followed by free time to explore Vienna on your own. We suggest a visit to Schoebrunn Palace, the summer residence of the Hapsburg family.

This evening you will attend the traditional New Year's concert performance of the **Vienna Symphony Orchestra** and the Academy of Song at the Grand Hall of the **Vienna Konzerthaus** an impressive Art Nouveau Building (picture on right). The performance starts at 7 pm and ends at approximed 9 pm. The program: **Beethoven's 9<sup>th</sup> Symphony** in D-minor, Opus 125.

Tickets in first category will be provided. After the concert you will enjoy an amazing **New Year's Gala Dinner** at the **Vienna Hotel Marriott** one of the premier hotels of Vienna. You will experience an event with lots of entertainment and several buffets with delicious specialties to choose from, accompanied by local musicians.

**Optional event a): New Year's Ball (Le Grand Bal)** at the state rooms of the **Vienna Imperial Palace** after the concert of the Vienna Symphony Orchestra above: Celebrate New Year's Eve, brimming with fun and laughter, immerse yourself in Vienna's charming ball tradition from approx. 9:30 pm until 3:30 am. This does not include dinner but a snack buffet around midnight. It is a formal event, with long ball gowns, tuxedos, tails or gala uniforms Supplement for Imperial Ball instead of Marriott dinner **CAD \$ 425.00** ([www.hofburgsilvesterball.com](http://www.hofburgsilvesterball.com)).

**Optional event b) New Year's Ball (Le Gand Bal)** at the state rooms of the Vienna Imperial Palace including dinner starts before 7:00 pm with a welcome glass of sparkling wine in the Foyer of the Imperial Palace (Hofburg), followed be a four course dinner with red or white wine, mineral water and a glass of champagne at



midnight. (Option b) does not include a ticket to for Beethoven's 9<sup>th</sup> Symphony at the Konzerthaus. The supplement for this event is **CAD \$600.00**

If you prefer informal fun, all the Old city is at stage with dancing in the streets,

stalls with local food and drinks and, of course, fireworks. This will be a huge party with the Pummerin Bell of St. Stephen's Cathedral ringing in the New Year.

St. Stephen's Cathedral



Vienna City Hall

Day 4, Sunday January 1, 2017

## HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017!



Vienna's Giant Ferris Wheel



<Vienna State Opera

After breakfast at the hotel you will have a full day at leisure for individual sightseeing or relaxation. Lunch will be on your own. **In the Evening** enjoy a performance of **Johann Strauss's** operetta "**Die Fledermaus**" (**the Bat**) at the **Vienna State Opera** (tickets in first category provided). Cast to be determined. In "The Bat" the Waltz King created a masterpiece in the genre of operetta that has never been transcended since. It features brilliant music combined with a bitingly comic plot. Dinner on your own. Overnight in Vienna (4).

Museum of Fine Arts>

Day 5, Monday, January 2, 2017:

Breakfast at hotel followed by a guided tour of the Museum of fine Arts built in 1891 near the Imperial Palace to house the extensive collections of the imperial family. With its vast array of old masters and the largest Bruegel collection in the world. Balance of the day free. Overnight in Vienna (5).



Day 6, Tuesday, January 3, 2017

Breakfast at the hotel followed by a transfer to the airport.

*Itinerary subject to change or modification by European concert coordinators!*

**Tour cost - "Land only" \$ 5,100. CAD** per person based on double occupancy and a rate of exchange of CAD 1.50 for Euro 1.00; Single Supplement \$ 1,120. CAD



**Additional nights on request:** at the Austria Trend Hotel Europa \$310 CAD

**Waltz lesson** in Vienna studio, per person, per lesson \$120 CAD

**Ticket price, Le Grand Ball** per person including light snacks at the buffet \$ 425 CAD

**Gala Dinner at Le Grand Ball** per person supplement (credit for concert applied) \$ 600 CAD

**Other options:** Additional performance at the Vienna State Opera or other high class venues will be added to the package price upon request

Accommodation upgrade from 4-star to 5-star hotel can be provided upon request

## **INCLUDED IN THE PRICE – NEW YEAR’S IN VIENNA**

- Accommodation for 5 nights at the 4\* hotel Austria Trend Hotel Europa in classic Double or Twin Rooms <http://www.austria-trend.at/Hotel-Europa-Wien/en/>
- Daily Breakfast
- Welcome Reception with a member of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra
- Welcome Dinner at restaurant Sacher (drinks excluded)
- 2x Half-day city sightseeing with a professional, English-speaking guide and music expert, including a walk through the Schatzkammer (Treasury) and the Museum of fine Arts
- Arrival and Departure Transfers (Airport – Hotel and Hotel – Airport)
- Tickets for the New Year’s Eve Gala Dinner at Hotel Marriott Three Performance tickets with **all seating in first category:**
- **New Year’s Concert** (preview) with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra at the Golden Hall of the Musikverein
- **Beethoven’s 9th Symphony** performed by the Vienna Symphony Orchestra and the Vienna Academy of Song at the Grand Hall of the “Wiener Konzerthaus if you are not attending dinner at New Year’s Ball (Le Grand Bal).
- Johann Strauss’s operetta “**Die Fledermaus**” at the **Vienna State Opera**. (First Category)

**Places are extremely limited, early booking is strongly recommended to avoid disappointment. Deadline for booking is June 15, 2016**

## **NOT INCLUDED**

- All services not mentioned under inclusions
- Options as per itinerary
- Airfare
- Travel Insurance

## **Payment Schedule:**

- 40% Deposit payment due by June 29, 2016 (NON REFUNDABLE)
- 30% Deposit payment due by August 15, 2016
- Final payment due by October 30, 2016

## **Cancellation Policy:**

- 40% cancellation fee of the total package until June 30, 2016
- 50% cancellation fee of the total package price until August 30, 2016
- 75% until November 10, 2016
- NO refund after November 10, 2016

**Prices subject to change!**

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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:

Reservations should be made as early as possible to ensure tickets for the events. A **deposit of \$750.00** is required at the time of registration. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit and application form. No reservations will be accepted without a signed application form.

### Payment Schedule:

- 40% Instalment payment until June 29, 2016 (NON refundable)
- 30% Instalment payment until August 15, 2016
- Final payment until October 30, 2016

### Cancellation Policy:

Refund of the \$ 750 deposit is made in full of cancellation is received in writing by Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. by June 15, 2016, less a \$ 500.00 non refundable administrative fee per person. For cancellations received after June 29, 2016 the following cancellation charges apply:

- 40% cancellation fee of the total package until June 29, 2016
- 50% cancellation fee of the total package price until August 30, 2016
- 75% until November 10, 2016
- NO refund after November 10, 2016

**Refund for unused Arrangements:** Because the rates of Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. are based on a package price, no refund can be made for accommodation or tour service or tour feature not taken.

### Insurance:

We strongly suggest that, you purchase the all-inclusive insurance to allow for any unexpected contingencies. Please contact Pauwels Travel for rates.

### RESPONSIBILITY:

Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. reserves the right without notice, to withdraw any part or all of the tour. Factors such as airline schedule changes, hotel overbookings, inclement weather, etc. may necessitate changes in the itinerary as outlined. There may also be other circumstances in which changes become necessary or advisable. Any savings realized by these changes will be passed on to the passengers, any resultant expenses shall be borne by the passenger. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. acts only as an agent in securing hotel, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall be held responsible for the failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. All hotel, transportation and other travel services are provided to tour members subject to all the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the public generally. The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of those conditions. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. also reserves the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour, in which case equitable refund will be made at the discretion of the tour operators.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:**

Transatlantic economy flight by scheduled IATA carrier(s), based on an economy class air fare. All fares are subject to specific rules and regulations, to changes and to government approval. In case of group bookings, deviations from the group flights are possible but subject to higher rates. Pauwels Travel will research any request for date or routing changes at the time they are requested. Should any individual rate be less than the group fare plus airline and administrative fees, the lower rate will be offered to the tour participant. Individual airfares are subject to immediate ticketing and the fare plus taxes must be paid at the time the ticket is issued by the participant requesting the change. Should the group airfare be the lowest available rate, an administrative fee of \$50.00 plus any airline charges will apply.

## APPLICATION FORM

Please book \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) on the "New Year's Tour to Vienna, December 28, 2016 to January 3, 2017  
Enclosed is my/our deposit of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$750 per person, plus insurance premium if taken.) Please indicate with an X if you would like to purchase flights \_\_\_\_\_.

Please indicate any options to be booked: \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit and insurance premium, if taken, are due with registration. You will be invoiced for interim payments according to the payment schedule on the terms and conditions.

WE REQUIRE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (INFORMATION PAGES ONLY) VALID 3 MONTHS AFTER TOUR DATE TO BE SENT IN WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

PASSPORT NAME(S): Please indicate the appropriate title (Mr., Mrs., Miss, Dr., Ms.)

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle(s) \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, give your commonly used first name as you would like it to appear on your name tag (in case of groups):  
(e.g. "Liz" for "Mary Elizabeth")

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Email) \_\_\_\_\_

If traveling alone, is a SINGLE ROOM REQUIRED? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If sharing, what is your bed preference: twin \_\_\_\_\_ double \_\_\_\_\_ ?

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: We find the earlier a request is made, the more success we have in filling it, so please list any dietary requests, allergies, special physical needs (wheelchair assistance) or frequent flyer numbers etc here. We cannot ensure requests made 30 days or less prior to departure are possible. \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance, Please call the office for premiums then record it on application and add premium to deposit. I /we would like to purchase (please check and record your rate):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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All-inclusive Package \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Non-medical Package \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_ OR decline insurance \_\_\_\_\_

"I/we agree to the terms and conditions attached to the program, have indicated our insurance choice, indicated any special requests and included payment". Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please forward this completed and signed form, copy of passport and payment to:



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