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Rockridge Chorale

to participate in the

Paris Choral Festival

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Devi Jameson, Conductor
Rockridge Chorale
Oakland, CA

Dear Mrs. Jameson,

Music Celebrations International is pleased to invite the **ROCKRIDGE CHORALE** to participate in the **PARIS CHORAL FESTIVAL**, to take place on July 8, 2019. The Festival is part of the official **75TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION OF D-DAY: THE BATTLE OF NORMANDY AND THE LIBERATION OF FRANCE**. Music Celebrations is pleased to have the support of **BERTRAND DELANOË, MAYOR OF PARIS** and the **AMERICAN VETERANS CENTER** in producing this event.

Join Artistic Director **Dr. GARY R. SCHWARTZHOFF** in Paris, France for this spectacular choral event. The festival tour will allow individual choirs to experience an Independence Day choral remembrance and wreath-laying at the **NORMANDY AMERICAN CEMETERY AND MEMORIAL** as well as a finale massed choir concert in Paris's famous **LA MADELEINE**.

By accepting this invitation, you are offering your singers an opportunity to:

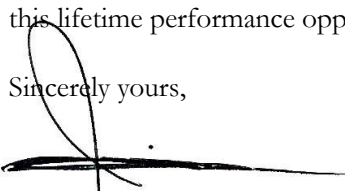
- ★ Sing Fauré, Forrest and Wilberg in L'église de la Madeleine (Fauré's church) - one of the most historic and beautiful churches in Paris
- ★ Experience the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial – site of the June 6, 1944 Allied Invasion of Europe during World War II
- ★ Work with Dr. Gary R. Schwartzhoff, one of America's foremost choral conductors
- ★ Experience the thrill of performing to a large, appreciative audience in Paris
- ★ Experience unparalleled educational opportunities and memories that will last a lifetime

Music Celebrations International has been organizing concert tours of exceptional quality throughout the world for over 25 years. Our professional and experienced staff will manage all of your travel, concert, sightseeing, and accommodation arrangements – down to the last detail! Rest assured that the prices listed for each Tour cover the cost of everything that will enable your group to have an exceptional experience!

I am very excited about the musical stimulation this tour will undoubtedly provide. My dream, and the purpose of Music Celebrations, is to provide life-changing experiences that will raise the level of musicianship and dedication to the performing arts not only in our own country but throughout the world.

Please call on us at any time for any reason. We look forward to partnering with you in providing your musicians with this lifetime performance opportunity.

Sincerely yours,



John P. Wiscombe
President

**PARIS CHORAL FESTIVAL
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COST ESTIMATES
ROCKRIDGE CHORALE**

All prices are per person and are based on the number of paying participants in each 49-passenger motorcoach staying in double occupancy. Estimated airfares are subject to change, and will be confirmed once an airline contract is secured (roughly 11 months prior to your tour).

	<i>45-47 Paying (+2 free)</i>	<i>40-44 Paying (+2 free)</i>	<i>35-39 Paying (+1 free)</i>	<i>30-34 Paying (+1 free)</i>
FESTIVAL ONLY TOUR (TOUR #1) (6 nights / 8 days) CAEN, PARIS	\$3,853	\$3,946	\$4,020	\$4,170
Land Only (self-arranged air):	\$2,193	\$2,286	\$2,360	\$2,510

Custom itinerary options are available on request. This tour represents a beginning point for further discussion and negotiation.

The costs will vary, depending upon the total number of paying participants sharing certain fixed overhead costs which include *chartered motorcoach, Tour Manager, guides, free trips, concert costs*, etc. Please consult the Cost Inclusions (located on the following page) which have been used as the basis for our offer.

These costs are based on group payments made by organization check or cash-equivalent to qualify for our lowest discounted prices. If you choose to have MCI handle the accounting and payment processing for each individual on tour, a 3% accounting fee applies. All tour prices quoted for transportation and land arrangements herein are based on rates (including foreign exchange rates) in effect at the date of this offer and are subject to change. Adjustments may be made if the exchange rate varies more than 5%.

THESE COSTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND WE ENCOURAGE EARLY COMMITMENT.

These items are subject to negotiation. For instance, we can re-quote based on less centrally located hotels, eliminate some dinners, eliminate entrance fees, adjust the free trip ratio, etc., to reduce the overall cost.

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COST INCLUSIONS

- **AIRLINE TRANSPORTATION:** Round-trip transportation by scheduled airline carrier from **San Francisco, CA**. Airfares are subject to change pending space availability at the time of group booking.
 - Includes up to \$550 for U.S. Government airline taxes, fees, and estimated fuel surcharge.
- **COACH TRANSPORTATION:** Local modern deluxe motorcoach transportation within Europe upon arrival and available for the entire tour.
- **FESTIVAL & CONCERT PRODUCTION:** All rehearsals and performances for the festival, and any additional performances outside of the festival as noted in the tour itinerary, are professionally provided in superior venues with attention to technical details and effective publicity.
- **ACCOMMODATIONS:** Hotel accommodations in superior tourist-class (3 & 4-star) hotels chosen for location, reputation, cleanliness, and service. The price is based on double occupancy, all rooms with private facilities. All hotels mentioned in this quote are used as reference only and are subject to availability at group rates at the time of booking. City centre accommodations are available at a supplement upon request. This offer is based on staying at the following accommodations, or similar:
 - Caen: [*Hotel Novotel Cote de Nacre*](#) Paris: [*Paris Marriott Rive Gauche*](#)
- **MEALS:** As noted in the Tour itinerary, meals include daily breakfast and five (5) dinners (one dinner is on own). Please note that breakfast is not included on day of arrival and dinner is not included on day of departure.
- **ENTRANCE FEES:** The following Entrance fees are included:
 - **Tour 1** – Rouen Cathedral, Coleville sur Mer U.S. Military Cemetery, Pointe du Hoc, U.S. Ranger Monument, Louvre Museum
- **TOUR ITINERARIES:** Electronic versions of the tour itinerary are available listing hotel addresses, telephone and fax numbers.
- **TOUR MANAGEMENT:** One full-time, multi-lingual Tour Manager will be on each motorcoach through the entire tour. MCI's European office staff is easily available 24 hours daily (even on weekends) to render assistance whenever needed.
- **EXCURSIONS:** Conducted by licensed, professional guides as outlined in the day-by-day Tour itinerary.
- **GRATUITIES:** Tips to hotel personnel (including meals) are included. Tips to tour manager(s), licensed guides, and motorcoach driver(s) are not included.
- **EACH PARTICIPANT RECEIVES:**
 - 1 Flight bag • 2 Luggage tags • 1 Souvenir Photo Video • 1 Souvenir T-shirt
- **TRAVEL NOTES:** Pre-departure Travel Notes are available to each participant containing useful information about travel preparation, destination information, useful packing and cultural conditioning suggestions.
- **FREE TRIPS:** One free trip (based on double occupancy) after every 20 paying participants; i.e. the 21st, 42nd, etc. participant travels free of charge.
- **LIABILITY INSURANCE:** \$3M MCI Tour Liability Insurance coverage.
- **TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Individual insurance coverage is included in all MCI programs.
Summary of coverage:
 - \$10,000 – Travel Accident • \$1,000 – Medical Expense
 - \$300 – Baggage Coverage • \$600 – Trip Cancellation/Interruption/Delay

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COST EXCLUSIONS

- Travel Visa for non-U.S. passport holders.
- Tips to Tour Manager(s), city guides and motorcoach driver(s).
- Instrument / equipment rental & cartage, if needed.
- Airline luggage fees, if applicable.
- Transportation to and from the departure airport.
- Daily lunches, one dinner, and drinks at dinners.
- Choirs are responsible for securing their own sheet music.
- Difference between current and actual costs for the airline taxes and the estimated fuel surcharge, if applicable.
- Concert programs for individual choir concerts during extension tours, if needed.