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The Arts & Cultural Legacy of America's Steel Town

October 27 – 31, 2021



Dear Travelers and Friends,

Forged from steel, Pittsburgh has evolved from a gritty industrial center to a cosmopolitan arts mecca and one of America's most livable cities. Over four nights in October 2021, join the Museum Travel Alliance for exclusive access to the wealth of museums, galleries, studios, and diverse architecture that now populate this revitalized urban landscape.

Personal access to local experts and creators is one of the features of all the trips offered by the Museum Travel Alliance. On this program, you will travel in the company of esteemed guest lecturer Judith O'Toole, Director Emerita of the Westmoreland Museum of American Art, who will host a private reception and lecture for us at her exceptional museum.

HIGHLIGHTS

RELIVE the Gilded Age with a behind-the-scenes tour at Clayton, the 19th-century Victorian family home of industrialist Henry Clay Frick, featuring a perusal of its Car and Carriage Museum, followed by a visit to the Frick Art Museum

IMMERSE yourself in Pittsburgh's storied history as a steel metropolis, meeting the director and artists on an exclusive tour of Rivers of Steel's Carrie Blast Furnaces, a National Historic Landmark and one of the few surviving pre-World War II blast furnaces

TAKE a curator-led tour of the contemporary art collections at the Carnegie Museum of Art, founded in 1895 by the Pittsburgh-based industrialist Andrew Carnegie

ENJOY guided behind-the-scenes tours of Frank Lloyd Wright's famous homes Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob, amid awe-inspiring autumn scenery in the Laurel Highlights

MEET the director and take a private tour of the Andy Warhol Museum — the largest collection of the iconic pop artist's works and archival materials and the largest single-artist museum in North America

JOIN a curator for an exclusive tour of the Westmoreland Museum of American Art, followed by a private reception and presentation by our special guest lecturer, Judith O'Toole, Director Emerita of the museum

As you explore Pittsburgh's illustrious history, step back in time to its Gilded Age past on an exclusive tour of Clayton, the art-filled former mansion of industrialist Henry Clay Frick. Join a curator at the Carnegie Museum of Art to admire its distinguished collections. Discover the largest collection of pop-art masterpieces from Andy Warhol — one of Pittsburgh's greatest native sons — on a private tour of his eponymous museum. And, in an exceptional highlight, drive through colorful fall foliage into the Laurel Highlands for guided behind-the-scenes tours of Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob, Frank Lloyd Wright's iconic homes.

You will also be welcomed inside the private studio of Rachel Sager, a world-renowned mosaicist. Join her amid the vestiges of a former coal mine for an exclusive look at her famed collaborative masterpiece *The Ruins Project*, ingeniously made from forged materials from the local area. And, for a rare window into Pittsburgh's industrial heritage, meet the director and artists of Rivers of Steel's Carrie Blast Furnaces on a private tour of this early 20th-century historic landmark.

We hope to see you on this revelatory exploration of one of America's most intriguing and storied cities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jim".

Jim Friedlander
President, Museum Travel Alliance

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Duquesne Incline / VisitPittsburgh

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27: ARRIVE PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Arrive independently in Pittsburgh, and check in at the regal Omni William Penn Hotel. Experience this 1916 hotel's rich history on a guided tour, followed by a visit to the Frick Building, the 20-story office and meeting space of Henry Clay Frick. This evening, gather for an introductory lecture and welcome dinner.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28: PITTSBURGH

Drive to the Duquesne Incline, an inclined plane railroad used by commuters since 1877 and one of Pittsburgh's most iconic landmarks. Ride to the top of Mount Washington to admire breathtaking views of the revitalized Steel City. Then, view the thought-provoking religious murals of Croatian-born artist Maxo Vanka on a private tour of their home in St. Nicholas Catholic Church. Relive the Gilded Age on an exclusive tour of Clayton, the family home of industrialist Henry Clay Frick. On the grounds, take a perusal of the Car and Carriage Museum, followed by a curated tour of the Frick Art Museum. After lunch, visit the Nationality Rooms at the University of Pittsburgh to learn about the various ethnic peoples who settled in Pittsburgh throughout history. Finally, enjoy a curator-led tour of the Carnegie Museum of Art. With your evening at leisure, you may remain at the Carnegie Museum to explore its interactive creation areas, attend featured performances and artist discussions, or participate in special tours.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29: PITTSBURGH / LAUREL HIGHLANDS

Take a scenic drive south of the city into the Laurel Highlands as they burst with the colors of fall foliage. Enjoy private guided tours of two famous Frank Lloyd Wright homes. Go behind the scenes of Fallingwater, which UNESCO designated a World Heritage Site, and Kentuck Knob, a National Historic Landmark. Arrive at the studio of Rachel Sager, a cutting-edge, internationally renowned mosaicist. Discover her monumental work *The Ruins Project*, a long-term collaborative mosaic installation using foraged materials from the surrounding area. After lunch, visit the Westmoreland Museum For American Art for a curator-led tour followed by a reception. You will be treated to a fascinating lecture from Judith O'Toole, Director Emerita of the Westmoreland Museum of American Art. Return to Pittsburgh for dinner at leisure.

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Fallingwater, photo by Michael Costello



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30: PITTSBURGH

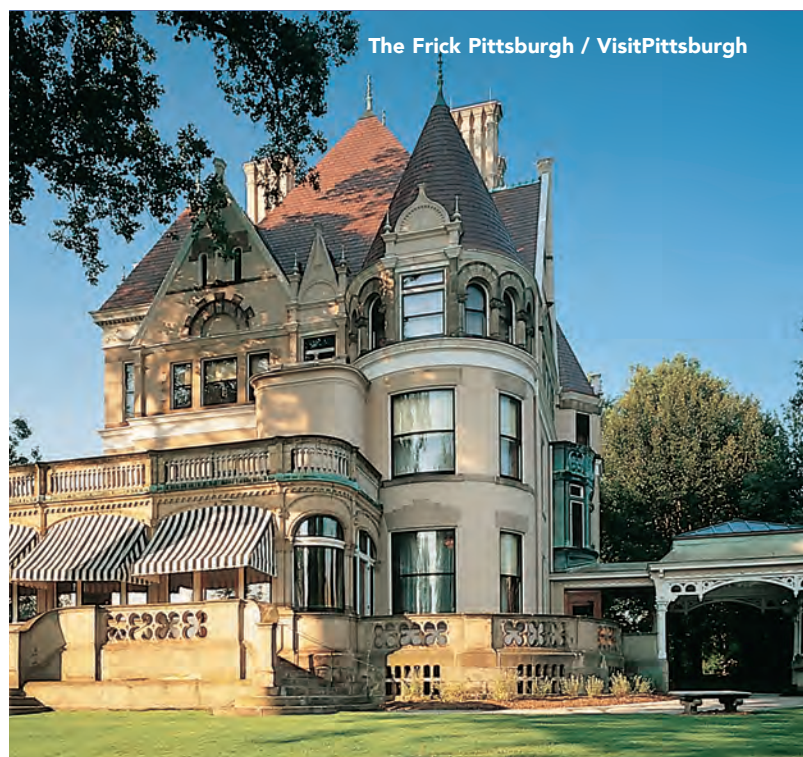
Browse the city's public art on a morning walking tour of Downtown Pittsburgh, with a focus on the Cultural District. Then, venture to the banks of the Monongahela to see two of the last surviving pre-World War II blast furnaces, one of the few remaining ways to connect with Pittsburgh's past as a steel town. Meet with the director and artists at Rivers of Steel's Carrie Blast Furnaces on an immersive private tour of this National Historic Landmark. Make your way to the Andy Warhol Museum for a private tour and meeting with the director. During time at leisure in the afternoon, you might choose to visit the Mattress Factory, a wonderful contemporary art museum. This evening, delight in a behind-the-scenes tour of a studio, gallery, or private art collection, and savor a festive farewell dinner at an exclusive venue. B,R,D



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31: PITTSBURGH / RETURN

Before it was the Steel City, Pittsburgh was actually known as "America's Glass City." Arrive at the Pittsburgh Glass Center, one of the world's foremost glass art facilities, for a tour and artistic demonstration. Depart for the Pittsburgh International Airport for flights home. B

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Omni William Penn Hotel

ACCOMMODATIONS

OMNI WILLIAM PENN HOTEL

Since opening the doors in 1916, the elegant Omni William Penn Hotel has played a starring role in the city of Pittsburgh, hosting movie stars, politicians, heads of state, and leaders of business and industry. A recent multi-million-dollar renovation has only enhanced its beauty. This hotel is a committed member of the AHLA Stay Safe Advisory Council.

PROGRAM RATES

\$3,699 per person, double rate

\$4,199 single rate

RATES INCLUDE

- Four nights accommodations at the Omni William Penn Hotel
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner); bottled water, soft drinks, juices, and coffee/tea with all meals; house wine at welcome and farewell dinners
- Enrichment program of lectures and special events
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation, and entrance fees for all included visits
- Taxes, service, and portorage charges; gratuities to local guides and drivers

NOT INCLUDED IN RATES Airfare; passport/visa fees; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than as noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; excess baggage; airport transfers; trip insurance; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

Sons for War by Maxo Vanka, The St. Nicholas Catholic Church



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To reserve a place, please call the Museum Travel Alliance at 212-324-1893 or 855-533-0033, fax: 212-344-7493; or complete and return this form with your deposit of \$1,000 per person (of which \$500 is non-refundable for administrative fees) payable to *Museum Travel Alliance*. Mail to: Museum Travel Alliance, 1040 Avenue of the Americas, 23rd floor, New York, NY 10018-3721.

Name(s) in full as on passport(s). Please print.

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Telephone (home)

(business)

Fax

E-mail

ACCOMMODATIONS

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I wish to share a room with

FORM OF PAYMENT

☐ Enclosed is my check (payable to *Museum Travel Alliance*)

☐ Credit card

Name on credit card

Credit card number

3- or 4-digit security code

Expiration date

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Signature (required)

Date

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Cover images: Interior, Carnegie Museum of Art (top); *Saint Florian*, painted wood sculpture, German, c. 1490, Carnegie Museum of Art (lower right); and glass work by Dana Laskowski, the Pittsburgh Glass Center (lower left).