

CULTURAL CALENDAR

Travel Programs, Spring 2022 - Winter 2023

Return to travel in 2022 and beyond! The Museum Travel Alliance (MTA) is a consortium of museums whose patrons and members are passionate about cultural travel. MTA offers its constituents access to a curated selection of exclusive travel opportunities, all led by renowned scholars and curators. Travel with like-minded enthusiasts on journeys that awaken new insights into art and culture, both in the U.S. and around the world. Visit UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and travel on elegant chartered vessels and luxury trains. Go behind the scenes of exceptional cultural institutions, including internationally revered museums, and discover world masterpieces with illuminating context and insight. Please join us on an enriching, unforgettable cultural journey!





Jerusalem, Israel

SPRING 2022

Cultural Treasures of Mexico: Oaxaca & San Miguel de Allende March 5 to 11, 2022

On this art-filled journey through two colorful UNESCO-listed cities, join lecturer **Rika Burnham**, known for her transformative method of close looking at art. Enjoy private tours of opulent Mexican Baroque churches and cherished museum collections. On a day outside Oaxaca, explore the exquisite ancient city of Monte Albán with an expert. In San Miguel, savor a rare exclusive perusal of more than 500 authentic Mexican ceremonial masks and by-invitation-only access to a private artist's studio. *Land rate* \$4,999

Israel: From Ancient Monuments to Contemporary Art April 2 to 11, 2022

Experience Israel in all of its fascinating diversity with Christopher Noey. Begin in Jerusalem to tour the ancient religious sites of its Old City, and go behind the scenes of a leading conservation laboratory. In Tel Aviv, highlights include private studio visits with local contemporary artists and a curator-led exploration of the groundbreaking Tel Aviv Museum of Art. Land rate \$9,899

Vienna in Vogue: Art & Fashion Design From the Baroque to Klimt April 18 to 25, 2022

In the company of fashion historian **Jessica Glasscock**, uncover how this beautiful city on the Danube changed modern style. Gain behind-the-scenes access to Vienna's best museums, fashion collections, and designer's workshops, including the Kunsthistorisches Museum; the Belvedere, featuring the world's largest collection of Gustav Klimt masterpieces; and the Wien Museum Fashion Collection, which is closed to the public. *Land rate* \$8,999

Crossroads of Cultures: Canary Islands, Morocco & Iberia Aboard Sea Spirit April 22 to May 5, 2022

Embark on an exciting voyage starting in the Canary Islands. In Morocco, tour the extraordinary yet rarely visited Dar El Bacha, a former palace. Sail through the Pillars of Hercules to arrive at Gibraltar's legendary rock. Experience Andalusian Spain and the Portuguese Algarve. Optional Lisbon postlude. Land/cruise rates from \$9,999

The Lower Danube, Medieval to Modern: Budapest to Bucharest Aboard *AmaMagna April 29 to May 8, 2022*

Explore picturesque cultural capitals in Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria, and Romania aboard a deluxe riverboat. Enjoy a private curatorial tour of the Hungarian National Gallery. In Vidin, Bulgaria, see the 10th-century fortress of Baba Vida. Visit lovely Veliko Tarnovo, the former capital of Bulgaria, before disembarking in Giurgiu.

Land/cruise rate from \$7,999

A Berkshires Escape: Masterworks in Massachusetts May 8 to 13, 2022

In the picturesque Berkshires, join **Alice W. Schwarz** for behind-the-scenes, curator-guided looks at its acclaimed museums, including The Clark Art Institute and Mass MoCA. Enjoy private tours of the region's Gilded Age mansions, including Chesterwood, the 1901 home of sculptor Daniel Chester French. *Land rate* \$5,999



The Mount, Lenox, Massachusetts

Met Classics Berlin May 9 to 15, 2022

Join Emmy-winning filmmaker and art historian **Christopher Noey** for an exclusive immersion into the best Berlin has to offer, including tours of Museum Island's ancient splendors, a superb private collection of contemporary art in a former WWII bunker, and the lavish Prussian palaces of nearby Potsdam, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. *Land rate* \$5,999

The Hyde Collection: Celebrating Art in Washington, D.C. Featuring *Picasso: Painting the Blue Period* at The Phillips Collection *May 12 to 15, 2022*

Join Jonathan Canning, Director of Curatorial Affairs and Programming at The Hyde Collection, for this behind-the-scenes art journey in the nation's capital. Enjoy an exclusive look at The Phillips Collection and their landmark Picasso exhibition, which features The Hyde Collection's Boy Holding a Blue Vase on loan. Explore a private art collection, and delight in inside looks at top museums in and around Washington D.C. Land rate \$2,999

The Arts in America's Heartland: Kansas City & Crystal Bridges May 15 to 19, 2022

Enjoy insider access to Kansas City's internationally revered private collections and museums with **Rika Burnham**. Venture south to Bentonville, Arkansas, for a full-day curator-led immersion in the magnificent Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, designed by architect Moshe Safdie. *Land rate* \$5,399



The Reichstag, Berlin



Gyeongbok Palace, Seoul, South Korea

Land of the Morning Calm: Ancient to Modern Korea May 18 to 26, 2022

Immerse yourself in Korea's colorful past and eclectic present with Asian art scholar **Christopher Noey**. Begin with an inside look at exceptional art in flamboyant Seoul. Transfer to Gyeongju to see this ancient city's 8th-century Buddhist temple, 7th-century observatory, and an authentic folk village. *Land rate* \$8,999

SUMMER 2022

Hidden Gems of Russia's Heartland: St. Petersburg to Moscow Aboard Volga Dream June 9 to 19, 2022

Cruise through the heartland of Russia from St. Petersburg to Moscow. In St. Petersburg, enjoy special access to extravagant palaces and spectacular art collections, including the Hermitage before public hours. Embark the luxurious *Volga Dream* for an elegant, six-night river journey, stepping off to admire colorful monasteries and onion-domed churches. Optional Moscow postlude. *Land/cruise rates from \$7,999*

Great Artists

Van Gogh, Cézanne & Matisse: Impressionism & Post-Impressionism in Provence *June 17 to 27, 2022*

On exclusive museum tours through the south of France, join **Kathryn Calley Galitz** for a dazzling look at the lives and art of Impressionist and Post-Impressionist masters. Go behind the scenes of the Monastery of Saint-Paul de Mausole, where Vincent van Gogh painted *The Starry Night* and other masterpieces, and enjoy private access to the Frank Gehry-designed LUMA Arles and the Fondation Vincent van Gogh Arles. Join museum curators in Provence's most charming villages for looks at works by Henri Matisse, Paul Cézanne, and other iconic figures. *Land rate* \$9,999

Castles, Cathedrals & Culture of the Moselle: Germany, Luxembourg & France Aboard Princesse Royal

June 24 to July 2, 2022

Enjoy an elegant Moselle riverboat cruise, stepping off for private tours of magnificent churches, historic wineries, and UNESCO-listed Roman ruins. Begin with a curator-led visit at Frankfurt's Städel Museum. Conclude with an inside look at the Cathédrale Saint Étienne de Metz, one of France's largest Gothic cathedrals. Optional Heidelberg, Germany prelude. *Cruise rates from* \$6,999

Alluring Aegean from the Bronze Age to the Byzantines: Athens to Istanbul Aboard Sea Cloud II June 27 to July 6, 2022

Cruise aboard the elegant *Sea Cloud II* to stunning Greek islands of myth and legend, including Santorini and sacred Patmos. Sail onward to the Graeco-Roman sites of Asia Minor. Enjoy a special excursion to Troy, immortalized in Homer's *Iliad*. Optional Athens prelude. Optional Istanbul postlude. *Land/cruise rates from* \$8,999

Holland & Belgium: Amsterdam to Bruges Aboard *Magnifique IV*

August 31 to September 8, 2022

Revel in private viewings of outstanding art on this cruise aboard the new *Magnifique IV*. Highlights include the splendid masterpieces of Amsterdam's Rijksmuseum, Rubens' powerful *Descent from the Cross* in Antwerp, and the iconic Ghent Altarpiece in Saint Bavo's Cathedral. Optional prelude to the Floriade Expo 2022 in Almere, Holland. *Cruise rates from \$5,999*



Windmill, The Netherlands



Boudhanath Stupa, Kathmandu, Nepal

FALL 2022

Tunisia: At the Crossroads of Civilizations September 1 to 13, 2022

With the expertise of Islamic art curator **Deniz Beyazit**, explore the rich history, diverse cultural influences, Islamic heritage, and glorious landscapes of a North African gem. Discover wonderful museums, splendid Roman ruins, walled medinas, peaceful oases, ornate mosques, and a wealth of UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including breathtaking, ancient Kairouan, one of Islam's holiest cities. *Land rate* \$9,999

Met Adventures: Buddhism & the Himalayas: Ladakh, Nepal & Bhutan September 7 to 21, 2022

In the heavenly heights of the Himalayas, join Asian art scholar **Christopher Noey** for an unforgettable two-week adventure. Discover the vibrant cultures, timeless temples, and ancient religious traditions of the magical Indian territory of Ladakh, colorful Nepal, and peaceful Bhutan, a country where only a few travelers are admitted each year. Land rate \$16,999

Dreams of Beauty in Cities of Steel: London & Glasgow Fashion September 11 to 18, 2022

Join fashion historian **Jessica Glasscock** for an inside look at two British fashion capitals. Begin in London with behind-the-scenes immersions into Savile Row and more. Conclude in Glasgow, where highlights include private tours of the Art Nouveau-style Hill House and the nearby Paisley Museum. Land rate \$7,999

The Land of Enchantment: Santa Fe & Taos, New Mexico September 22 to 26, 2022

On an exclusive, four-night program, marvel at the colorful treasures of Santa Fe, New Mexico, America's oldest capital city. Meet local artists and influencers, and go behind the scenes of the museums and historic homes that will illuminate Santa Fe's fascinating story. Immerse yourself in the creative genius of Georgia O'Keeffe on a special tour of her eponymous museum. Land rate \$3,699

Sicily by Sail: Valletta to Palermo Aboard Sea Cloud II October 1 to 9, 2022

Sail along the coast of the Mediterranean's largest island aboard this elegant three-masted sailing yacht. One after the other, marvels follow, including Syracuse, one of the world's most important cities of antiquity. Enjoy a special reception in the dazzling private *palazzo* of local nobility. Optional Palermo postlude. *Cruise rates from* \$9,999

Uncover the Treasures of London: Jewelry Through the Ages October 6 to 12, 2022

On this five-day program, join curator emerita **Beth Carver Wees** for exclusive and special visits that will bring the lavish history of Britain's sparkling treasures to life. View the resplendent Crown Jewels after public hours, and join the owners of a grand home and world-renowned jewelry showrooms for behind-the-scenes access to their collections. *Land rate* \$6,699

Saigon to Siem Reap: Khmer Treasures of Vietnam & Cambodia Aboard *The Jahan October 6 to 17, 2022*

Aboard the lavish, colonial-style ship *The Jahan*, experience a fascinating part of Southeast Asia. Highlights include a behind-the-scenes tour of Angkor's Hindu and Buddhist temples, discovering areas not open to the public, and immersions in the rich local cultures and art scenes of Ho Chi Minh City and Phnom Penh. Optional Laos postlude. *Land/cruise rates from \$10,999*

Timeless Islands of the Mediterranean: Palermo to Genoa Aboard Sea Cloud II October 8 to 18, 2022

Sail from Sicily to lands awash with treasures of antiquity: Sardinia, the lush French territory of Corsica, and the Italian island of Elba, with an exclusive look at Napoleon's famed hideaway. Conclude in Tuscany to discover Pietrasanta's dynamic contemporary art. Optional Palermo prelude. *Cruise rates from \$9,999*



Ruins at Segesta, Sicily



Sea Cloud II

Alluring Arabia Featuring the Louvre Abu Dhabi & the National Museum of Qatar October 11 to 24, 2022

Travel with Islamic art expert **Courtney Ann Stewart** to the cosmopolitan capitals of the Arabian Peninsula. Marvel at the palaces and museums of Muscat, Oman. Fly to Abu Dhabi, in the United Arab Emirates, for a curatorled look at the awe-inspiring Louvre Abu Dhabi. In Dubai, tour the world's tallest building. Conclude in Doha, Qatar, for curator-led visits to the National Museum and the Museum of Islamic Art. *Land rate* \$11,999

WINTER 2022-2023

Egypt & The Nile: A Voyage Into Antiquity Aboard Sanctuary Nile Adventurer December 29, 2022 to January 9, 2023

Enjoy an extraordinary journey through Egypt that includes a four-night Nile River cruise. In Giza, tour the Great Pyramids and the Great Sphinx. Fly to Luxor to festively ring in 2023, and board a luxury riverboat, stepping off to admire awe-inspiring ancient treasures. Optional Jordan postlude. *Land/cruise rates from* \$13,199

Arts & Gardens of the Caribbean: Round-Trip Barbados Aboard Sea Cloud February 24 to March 3, 2023

On a round-trip winter sea escape from Barbados, learn about the forgotten connections between the Caribbean and 18th-century America aboard a legendary sailing yacht. Visits include Alexander Hamilton's childhood home and museum in Nevis and majestic tropical gardens. Cruise rates from \$9,999



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Photos: The Moselle River Valley (above). Front cover: Santorini, Greece. Back cover: Royal Palace in Phnom Penh, Cambodia



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