

**Kitchener Waterloo Symphony  
Volunteer Committee  
presents**

# **CHICAGO IS OUR KIND OF TOWN**



**Join Maestro Brian Jackson  
on a 5 Day trip to the Chicago  
September 23 – 27, 2009**

# CHICAGO



*People come to Chicago from all over the world because of its beauty, progressiveness, stunning architecture and culture ... not to mention, it's an incredibly fun city for visitors !!*

*Join your host, Brian Jackson, for a unique visit to explore the culture, historic landmarks and hidden gems of Chicago.*

## Itinerary

### Day 1, Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>



An early departure this morning from the KW area on our way by motorcoach to Chicago via Detroit. Just outside Detroit we will take time to visit the magnificent home that the Model T built. **Fair Lane** is a nationally acclaimed historic estate, rich with technical and architectural wonders. This 31,000 sq ft mansion was the family home of Henry Ford and his wife Clara for more than 30 years. After your tour you will continue your motorcoach journey, with a stop for dinner enroute to your hotel for the next 4 nights ... the **Doubletree Chicago** – Oak Brook. The hotel features a complimentary shuttle to local attractions, a fitness centre, a complimentary business centre and an indoor pool with whirlpool. Guest rooms feature complimentary high speed wireless internet, a coffee maker and daily newspaper. A **private cocktail party** awaits you on arrival at the hotel.

## Day 2, Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>



Following an included full buffet breakfast at the Doubletree you will depart on a fully **narrated tour of Chicago** with a certified Chicago guide. Discover Chicago's art, history, architecture and culture. Your tour will focus on iconic buildings, designed by well-known architects, and modern sculpture by famous artists. You will see the striking **skyline**, the amazing **lakefront**, the **Magnificent Mile** and the historic **Loop**.

A visit has been arranged to see the **Elks National Memorial** to the fallen soldiers of World War I. This magnificent structure was opened in 1926 and is a masterpiece of rare woods, palatial oriental rugs and unique fine furnishings. This short visit will be followed by a tour of the **Smith Museum of Stained Glass** with its collection of 150 exquisite stained glass windows. The museum is located at **Navy Pier** where you may have a lunch break on your own.

After lunch you will take a **cruise along the river** while knowledgeable docents from the **Chicago Architecture Foundation** share the sites and offer an unmatched look at the city. Following the cruise you will enjoy a view of Chicago from the top of the **John Hancock Centre** ... a most impressive experience !!

Your included dinner tonight will be at a **Private Chicago Club**. Before dinner enjoy a guided tour of one of the most important **privately held art collections in Illinois**. After dinner you will return to your hotel.

## Day 3, Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>



After your included full buffet breakfast, depart on a tour of **Millennium Park** – Chicago's newest cultural institution, an award winning centre of art, architecture and landscape design. The **Cultural Centre**, located adjacent to the park, was built in 1897 and features exquisite Tiffany Domes. Following this visit you will then enjoy a special "behind the scenes" tour of the **Symphony Centre**.

Your coach will be available to transfer you to a selection of one of three of Chicago's premiere museums. On your own you can visit the **Art Institute of Chicago** and its new modern wing, with its outstanding collection of world famous impressionist works, **OR** the **Field Museum of Natural History**, with Inside Egypt, the Ancient Americas and objects from World Cultures **OR** the **Shedd Aquarium** with Beluga Whales and the Wild Reef. Each of these museums has a coffee shop for your convenience. Should you decide not to visit a museum, you may opt to return to the hotel.

Tonight, dinner is on your own, but an **included musical performance** will be arranged for your enjoyment this evening.

#### **Day 4, Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

After your included buffet breakfast, see the architecture of **Frank Lloyd Wright** during a driving tour of **Oak Park**. Then have an exclusive tour of **Wright's Home and Studio**. It was in Oak Park that Wright developed his Prairie Style of architecture. Then tour **Unity Temple**, a unique light filled concrete church designed by Wright. This church is considered one of the most complex and exciting spaces in 20<sup>th</sup> century architecture. Ernest Hemingway was born in Oak Park, and you will visit the Queen Anne style home which remains much the same as it was in the writer's day. This house contains the **Hemingway Museum**, with exhibitions that explore the author's life and work.



Your afternoon is free. You can enjoy the hotel's amenities and one of Chicago's largest shopping malls is located across the street from your hotel for your shopping pleasure. This evening enjoy an **included dinner and a Cabaret Show** at the Drury Lane Theatre.

#### **Day 5, Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

After your included breakfast at the hotel, you will board your bus for your trip back to Canada. A stop has been arranged at an outlet mall for shopping and lunch on your own. Your border crossing will be a Port Huron, and your expected arrival home is at approximately 8:00 pm after an exciting and memorable visit to ...

..... **Chicago, Our Kind of Town.**

**Welcome Home !!**



# Chicago ... Our Kind of Town

## Cost of Tour

**Package Price \$1,499 per person double occupancy**

**Package Price \$1,785 Single Occupancy**

### Included Features

- Relaxing motorcoach travel
- 4 nights at a first class hotel, tax included
- 4 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners
- Welcome Cocktail Party
- Portorage of 1 piece of luggage per person
- Reserved Tickets for Shows and entrance fees as listed in Itinerary
- Pre Departure Get Together
- Escorted by KW Symphony Volunteer, Carol Class
- AND MUCH MORE

### Not Included

- Cancellation and Out of Country Health Insurance
- Gratuities
- Meals not indicated in Itinerary
- Items of a personal nature



## HOW TO BOOK

A deposit of \$200 per person plus Emergency Excess Hospital and Medical and Cancellation Insurance premium (if desired) is due at time of booking.

Final payment is due by July 21, 2009

Please contact Gale at Bullas Travel for additional information.

Telephone 519-578-7740 or 1-800-565-1133

## DOCUMENTATION

At the time of printing it appears that travelers will require a valid Canadian passport

### Cancellation Penalties

Days before departure	Penalty
91 days or more	deposit
90 to 61 days	50% of tour cost
60 days or less	100% of tour cost

**No refunds for unused accommodations**

### COST OF COMPREHENSIVE EXCESS MEDICAL PLUS CANCELLATION INSURANCE

per person double occupancy

(Insurance Rates for Single Travellers available upon request)

up to 60 years of age	\$77
61 to 65 years of age	\$93
66 to 70 years of age	\$114
71 to 76 years of age	\$166
77 years and over	\$318

### TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE

Up to 59 years of age	\$89
60 – 64 years of age	\$100
65 – 69 years of age	\$105
70 – 74 years of age	\$123
75 – 79 years of age	\$184
80 years of age or more	\$242

**all insurance costs subject to 8% tax**



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