Experience Umbria

THE GREEN HEART of Italy

June 15 - June 25, 2018

A SMALL GROUP TOUR FOR FRIENDS AND PATRONS OF THE MSU COLLEGE OF MUSIC
EXPERIENCE UMBRIA

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11 DAYS FOR $5,310

Price includes airfare, a direct, round trip flight between Detroit and Rome.
Trip is limited to 14 travelers.

Umbria, the green heart of Italy, and the medieval town of Todi will be a center of this residential experience which combines historic exploration, the enjoyment of music, wine tasting and fine Italian cuisine. Your visit will include a music festival, concerts in the beautiful “Hidden Churches” of Todi, and an insider’s view of the life of a musician by sitting in MSU College of Music master classes, coachings and rehearsals. Side trips to Orvieto and Assisi as well as custom wine, olive oil and chocolatier tastings guarantee a complete and full palate experience.

The trip concludes with several days in the cosmopolitan capital (eternal city), Rome. An excursion to the Appian Way, lodging in a 5 star hotel and dinner in one of the top restaurants together with private and exclusive tours with access to some rarely seen sights will cap a trip of culinary pleasures and musical memories.

Todi
Orvieto
Assisi
Rome

An unforgettable tour charging your culinary, historical and musical palates.
DAY 1  Friday, June 15  
Depart U.S. for Rome, Italy  
Departing on a Delta flight from Detroit Metro to Rome, Italy at 6:15 p.m. Dinner served on flight.  *D*

DAY 2  Saturday, June 16  
Arrive Rome  
Flight arrives at 9 a.m. Breakfast served on flight. Board a private motor coach and travel from Rome to Todi, a medieval town in the Umbria Region. Guests are checked into the Fonte Cesia Hotel, located in the Piazza - in the heart of Todi. Enjoy a “light tour” of Todi Centre and find performance locations for upcoming concerts. The day will conclude with a cocktail reception followed by dinner on the outdoor terrace at the Fonte Cesia Hotel.  *B, D*

DAY 3  Sunday, June 17  
Enjoying Todi  
Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, our charming home base for eight days. Today we celebrate music throughout Todi during “Festa della Musica” with more than 20 performances from noon to early evening, including presentations by MSU study abroad student musicians. The evening culminates with an MSU faculty and guest artist concert, “Music in the Hidden Churches” in Chiesa della Nunziatina, followed by a celebration dinner with the artist faculty at one of Umbria’s finest restaurants.  *B, D*

DAY 4  Monday, June 18  
Sightseeing in Beautiful Orvieto  
Our full-day excursion will take us on a drive through the vineyards and rolling hills of the Umbria Region of Italy. We arrive by bus for a guided tour of Orvieto which will include the spectacular Orvieto Duomo. We will gather for a light lunch in view of the cathedral, followed by time to wander among the many shops in town. Our day trip continues to Cantina Sobrano for a wine tasting and buffet dinner.  *B, L, D*

DAY 5  Tuesday, June 19  
A Peek into the Study Abroad Experience  
Our day starts with a guided tour (in English) of closed churches and archeological sites of Todi that are not open to the public, followed by an opportunity to sit in on master classes for piano, cello, clarinet and voice. Experience first-hand, lessons taught by senior faculty that will help shape performances by student musicians. Our day concludes with a spectacular, memorable dinner at the premier restaurant in Todi, Cantina del Mercataccio.  *B, D*
DAY 6  Wednesday, June 20
Sightseeing in Historical Assisi
Our second full-day excursion takes us by motor coach to the captivating medieval town of Assisi, home of the renowned Basilica di San Francesco, the burial place of Saint Francis. We will have an expert tour guide showing us high-points of the town, and will lunch together and spend time exploring the local shops, cafés and views. After a full-day of sight-seeing, followed by a stop in Perugia to visit eighteenth century working looms, we will take the motor coach back to our home base in Todi.  
*B, L*

DAY 7  Thursday, June 21
Olive Oil and Wine Tasting
Relax and spend the morning in Todi, exploring the shops, having a coffee or gelato and taking a walk along the cobblestone streets. The afternoon will be spent experiencing the wine and olive oil of the Umbria Region. Take in the gorgeous rolling hills with miles of vineyards while we travel to two beautiful establishments, Montioni Oil Mill and Winery and Cantina Peppucci where we will end our outing with a lovely wine tasting and buffet dinner overlooking the Umbrian countryside. The evening concludes with the festive summer music solstice concert in Piazza Jacopone.  
*B, D*

DAY 8  Friday, June 22
College of Music Student Potpourri Concert
Remember the master classes from day five? Now is your chance to experience a student performance after music faculty have provided lessons and coachings with their students. Spend time getting better acquainted with the students and faculty at a side-by-side luncheon. Enjoy a light-guided tour of hidden sites and gardens of Todi, followed by dinner at a favorite local restaurant, and end the day with the College of Music Encore VII Student Potpourri Concert, the final concert of the students’ Study Abroad Experience in Italy.  
*B, L, D*

DAY 9  Saturday, June 23
Touring Rome
Farewell to Todi as we travel by motor coach to the capital of Italy for an exclusive tour of the major attractions of Rome. We check in to our 5 star hotel and depart by car on our guided tour (in English) of the Vatican, Saint Peter’s Square and Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, and the Vatican Museum. Following this memorable tour of these remarkable sites, time will be set aside to explore on your own and shop. The evening will culminate with dinner at one of Rome’s great restaurants, Imagio, located in close proximity to the Spanish Steps and the famous Trevi Fountain.  
*B, L, D*
Day 10  Sunday, June 24
Touring Rome
Your tour of Rome continues with a private guided tour of the Pantheon, Coliseum, Ancient Rome, the Roman Forum, the Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps and other highpoints of the historic city. We will return to our hotel to rest, pack and take in the sites of Rome one final evening before returning to the U.S. in the morning. B, L

Day 11  Monday, June 25
Depart for U.S.
We leave the hotel early for an 11 a.m. direct flight from Rome to Detroit. Complimentary breakfast at the hotel and meals served on flight. B

Your Trip Includes
- Airfare, a direct, round-trip flight on Delta Airlines between Detroit and Rome
- Nine nights’ accommodations, seven at a 4-star hotel and two at a 5-star hotel
- 23 meals: 10 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 8 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Private transportation and English-guided tours, tips included
- Luggage handling, tips included

MSU College of Music Reservation Form:
Experience Umbria, the green heart of Italy
Enclosed is my/our deposit of $___________ ($1,000 per person) for _____ person/people on Experience Umbria departing June 15, 2018. I/we understand the initial trip deposit is due by February 5, 2018 and the final payment is due on or before March 12, 2018. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard or VISA or by personal check. Please make deposit check payable to Michigan State University, and in the memo line note: Experience Umbria, and mail deposit check (along with completed registration form) to: MSU College of Music Advancement, Attn: Amy Rivard, 333 W Circle Drive, Suite 105, East Lansing, MI 48824. Or, feel free to call the College of Music Advancement Office at 517-353-9872.

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CITY ______ STATE ______ ZIP ______
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☐ Yes, I/we give permission to share my contact information with Conlin Travel to coordinate air travel with Delta Airlines, which is included in the cost of this trip.

☐ I will share a room with ________________________________________________

☐ I request a single room (limited availability)

I understand reservations are available on a first-come, first-served basis. I accept the conditions as stated in the Experience Umbria brochure and on this reservation form and submit my/our reservation(s) as indicated. Upon receipt of initial deposit, I will receive additional terms and conditions requiring my signature.

SIGNATURE_________________________ DATE ____________________________

Final Payment Due March 12, 2018, final invoicing will be sent 30 days prior to payment due date.
- $4,310 per person for double occupancy hotel room (remaining balance after $1,000 deposit)
- $5,060 per person for single occupancy hotel room (remaining balance after $1,000 deposit)

Method of Payment: ☐ Check ☐ American Express ☐ Discover ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa

ACCOUNT # ___________________________ SECURITY CODE ______ EXP. DATE ______

NAME OF CARDHOLDER ____________________________

SIGNATURE ____________________________
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Todi
Todi is a town of the province of Perugia within the central region of Umbria and perched on a tall two-crested hill overlooking the east bank of the Tiber river, commanding distant views in every direction.

Orvieto
Orvieto is a city in the province of Terni situated in the southwestern edge of the Umbria region. The site of the city is among the most dramatic in Europe, rising above the almost-vertical cliff faces that are completed by defensive walls built of stone called Tufa.

Assisi
Assisi is a town in the province of Perugia on the western flank of Monte Subasio. It was the birthplace of St. Francis, who founded the Franciscan religious order in 1208.

Rome
Rome, the capital of Italy, sits within the Lazio region, and is the country’s largest and most populated city. Known for its landmarks, Rome is situated around Vatican City, an independent country within the city boundaries.
Italy

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