



AMERICAN BANDS IN ROME and LONDON PARADE FESTIVAL



I am delighted to be able to introduce you to the “American Bands in Rome Festival” and the “London Parade Festival” program, a series of very special musical events that take place each New Year in and around both Rome and London.

The festival comprises three major performances. The first is a concert in Rome’s Piazza del Popolo followed the next day with a ‘street show’ in the village of Frascati, south of Rome. On New Year’s Day, there is the “London Parade” beginning at Berkley Square and progressing down Piccadilly to Piccadilly Circus, by Trafalgar Square, up Whitehall Place and culminating at Parliament Square and the Palace of Westminster beneath Big Ben and adjacent to Westminster Abbey – the ultimate and perfect way for Edmond Band students to celebrate the start of a New Year.

The Mayors of Rome, Frascati and all of the Boroughs of London and Westminster will welcome Edmond, Oklahoma with great support and commitment.

PERFORMANCE TRAVEL PROGRAMME INCLUSIONS

- Round trip economy class air travel on a scheduled airline from Dallas/Fort Worth to a Rome’s Fiumicino Airport...from Rome to London....and from London to the USA. One main meal and one snack served on each transatlantic flight. Complimentary drinks service on all flights. Free movies and audio entertainment.
- 3 nights accommodation in a specially selected first class Rome and 4 nights accommodation in a specially selected first class London hotel. Students will generally be accommodated in triple bedded rooms and adults in twin bedded rooms. All rooms with private facilities including bath and/or shower.
- Continental breakfast served each day in – 6 meals.
- Three course dinner each day in Rome consisting of an appetizer or pasta (antipasta or primi piatti) followed by a main course (second piatti/piatti principal),and then dessert (dolci). All meals accompanied by complimentary soft drinks. One in a local restaurant, one in Frascati (based around local produce), and one special farewell Roman dinner in an atmospheric restaurant with musical entertainment.
- Round trip transfers from airports to hotel by coach
- Transportation to and from all performance venues
- Half day educational tour of the City of Rome with a professional English speaking guide and will include visits to the Colosseum and the Forum
- Half day educational tour of the Vatican City with special visits to the Vatican Museum, The Basilica of St. Peter’s and the Sistine Chapel.
- Trip to Frascati, south of Rome, which will include a visit/photo stop to the village of Castel Gandolfo, the Pope’s summer residence.
- Educational tour of London with professional guide and with photo stops, etc on private chartered coach
- A tour with professional guide to WINDSOR CASTLE and areas outside London.
- Dinner in a traditional British Pub
- Student New Year’s Eve party with full entertainment (discotheque) & pizza
- A unique disc, with license to make unlimited prints, of professionally taken group photography – taken during performances in Rome, Frascati and London
- A specially struck commemorative medal of the “London Parade Festival 2009/10” for all the performers and, in this special celebration year a unique supporters medal will be provided for all non-performers.
- All taxes and charges imposed by the US and British governments for Airline and Airport facility usage.
- A “Youth Music of the World” specially created comprehensive insurance package
- Coach transportation to and from DFW

Other Details

Intercontinental Air Travel

Travel from DFW to London to Rome, back to London and home to DFW.

Accommodations

As mentioned previously, accommodations are in First Class London hotels just minutes from central London. Students usually in triple bedded rooms and adults in twins. Probable hotels are the Marriott Central Park in Rome and the Cumberland / Marble Arch Hotel in London.

Tours

A half-day tour of the major sights of London.

A professional English speaking guide will provide a first class informative commentary of London, its culture, and its history. The 4 hour tour will be ideally paced so that you become acquainted with much of what London has to offer. There will be plenty of stops so you can explore the monuments, have time for refreshments and lunch and brief photo stops.

A half-day tour of Windsor Castle.

Among the many places of interest outside of but still in the vicinity of London, Windsor is certainly one of the most famous and most important. On this, your second half-day tour, a professional English-speaking guide will be providing you with information on the town of Windsor, and then direct you through parts of this magnificent castle. The Windsor visit will take, in total, a half day. The remainder of the day is free for independent sightseeing and shopping in London.

ROME

COLOSSEUM
THE ROMAN FORUM
VATICAN CITY
VATICAN MUSEUM
SISTINE CHAPEL

ROME

'GLADIATORE' RESTAURANT
'DA MEO PATACCA / DA BENITO' RESTAURANT
SPANISH STEPS
TREVI FOUNTAIN

LONDON

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
CHANGING OF THE GUARD
THE TOWER OF LONDON
PARLIAMENT
BIG BEN
WESTMINSTER ABBEY
ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL
THE LONDON EYE
TRAFALGAR SQUARE

LONDON

WINDSOR CASTLE
THE STATE APARTMENTS
QUEEN MARY'S DOLLS' HOUSE
ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL
TOWER BRIDGE
HERROD'S
BRITISH MUSEUM
PICCADILLY CIRCUS

LONDON

TATE MUSEUM OF MODERNART
SHERLOCK HOLMES
221 BAKER STREET
MADAME TOUSSAUD'S MUSEUM
COVENT GARDENS
My Fair Lady
GLOBE THEATRE
MILLENIUM BRIDGE
10 DOWNING STREET

This is indeed one of the few chances of a lifetime for students and parents alike to experience Rome and London and their "treasures" with the best people in the world, the Edmond Band family.

Please complete the attached two pages with your initial payment in order to reserve your position in Rome and London with the Edmond Family on New Years 2012.

Should you have questions needing answers prior to then, please feel free to contact:

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PROJECTED PAYMENTS

November 04	\$ 300
December 09	\$ 300
February 10	\$ 400
March 10	\$ 400
April 14	\$ 400
May 12	\$ 300
August 11	\$ 400
September 08	\$ 400
October 06	\$ 400
November 03	\$ Balance