



March 8, 2018

Dear Members of the Davidson Fine Arts Magnet School,

On behalf of the team at Perform International, it's been a pleasure to work on the details in preparation for your trip.

Included in the following pages are important documents that you should review and make copies of for your friends and family so they know where to reach you when you are away from home.

Please refer to the airline's luggage webpage so that you plan your packing in accordance with the regulations for American Airlines to Europe.

<https://www.aa.com/i18n/travel-info/baggage/baggage-limitations.jsp>

Please remember to pack lightly and bring only one checked-in bag and one carry-on (such as a backpack). The motor coaches you will be traveling on have limited storage space.

With group ticketing it is recommended that you check in together as a group at the airport, however, it is not mandatory. Generally, airlines will not allow you to check-in online the night before. Seats are arranged alphabetically. If you want to switch seats with someone, this will have to be done at check-in time.

The TSA recommends that you arrive **at least 3-hrs prior to your scheduled departure at the TSA check-point**. That means you should arrive at the airport about 3h30 prior to departure to complete the check-in procedure before proceeding to the TSA security check point.

Remember to make two copies of your passport. Leave one at home with your family and take one copy with you on the trip. Make sure to keep the photocopy separate from the original passport while traveling in case the original document gets stolen or is lost.

Bon voyage!

**Your Team at Perform International**



**Final Itinerary: Davidson Fine Arts Magnet School Choral & Orchestra**  
**Phillip Streetman & Dr. Laura Tomlin**

**Emergency number while travelling**

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**Emergency number while in Spain:**

Telephone: +34 915427584

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**PERFORMANCE TOUR SPAIN (MARCH 31 – APRIL 7, 2018)**

**Day 1 Saturday, March 31, 2018**

**DEPARTURE USA**

12:36 pm Depart from Atlanta with American Airlines flight 763  
02:34 pm Arrive in Miami (MIA)  
06:05 pm Board international flight 112 with American Airlines departing from Miami to Barcelona (BCN)

**Day 2 Sunday, April 1, 2018**

**ARRIVAL BARCELONA**

9:10 am Arrive in Barcelona  
Meet your tour manager at the arrivals hall

**Tour Manager: Flavio Nicoletti**  
Phone: +39 3495759403

**Tour Manager: Isabel Lozano**  
Phone: +39 3383664426

Enjoy a panoramic city tour upon arrival including Montjuic, Boqueria Market and Olympic Village

Lunch on own in the city center

3:00 pm Check into the hotel  
**Hotel NH Sants Barcelona**  
Address: Numancia 74, 08029, Barcelona  
Tel: + 34 93 3224451

<https://www.nh-hoteles.es/hotel/nh-sants-barcelona>

Rest of the afternoon at your own leisure

7:00 pm      Dinner at the hotel restaurant  
Menu: Chef's choice  
  
Overnight

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**Day 3 Monday, April 2, 2018**

**BARCELONA – CONCERT [B, D]**

Breakfast is served at your hotel

*Put on your concert attire before leaving for sightseeing*

Today in Barcelona you will take a half-day sightseeing tour that will include La Sagrada Familia Church and the Gothic Quarter. Headsets are included for the visits

9:00 am      Morning half-day city sightseeing including La Sagrada Familia and the Gothic Quarter  
Meet your local tour guide TBA at the hotel

11:30 am      Impromptu at Crypt of Sagrada Familia

12:00 am      Visit **Sagrada Familia**  
Address: Mallorca, 401, 08013 Barcelona

1:00 pm      Visit ends at Gothic Quarter

Free time for lunch on own

2:30 pm      After lunch, enjoy the afternoon at your own leisure before performing a concert this evening  
*(Most shops are closed on Easter Monday. Malls such as Maremagnum mall and La Roca Village are open. Small gift shops in tourist areas are also open)*

3:00- 5:00 pm      Arrival at concert venue for rehearsals

*Concert venue is located in a pedestrian area and is approximately 0.4 miles walking from the closest coach parking.*

*Rented instruments will be delivered to concert venue*

5:30 pm      Dinner at **La Fonda** restaurant  
Address: Carrer dels Escudellers, 10, 08002 Barcelona  
Phone: +34--933 01 75 15  
Menu  
- First course:  
Spanish omelette with toasted bread  
- Main course:

grilled chicken with garnish  
- Dessert:  
Pear and caramel cake with custard cream  
Mineral water, bread

- 7:00 pm Walk back to the church
- 8:30 pm Evening concert at Basilica de Santa Maria del Pi
- Address: Plaza del Pi 7  
Phone: +34--933 184 743
- Changing rooms: 1, the crypt  
Toilets: yes, 2  
Director's music stand: yes  
Orchestra chairs: yes  
Microphone: yes
- 10:30 pm Transfer back to the hotel by local coach
- Overnight in Barcelona  
Hotel NH Sants Barcelona

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**Day 4 Tuesday, April 3, 2018**

**BARCELONA - VALENCIA [B, D]**

- Breakfast is served at your hotel
- 9:00 am Meet your tour manager and transfer to Valencia with a stop in Peñíscola
- Barcelona – Peñíscola – 143 miles
- 12:30 pm Arrival in Peñíscola to enjoy the city and the beach
- Free time for lunch on own
- Enjoy the day at your own leisure until time to continue to Valencia
- 4:00 pm Departure from Peñíscola to Valencia
- Peñíscola – Valencia – 93 miles
- 5:30 pm Arrive in Valencia
- Check into hotel  
**Hotel NH Valencia las Artes**  
Avenida Instituto Obrero, 28 46013 Valencia - España  
Tel.: +34 96 3351310  
<https://www.nh-hoteles.es/hotel/nh-valencia-las-artes>
- 6:30 pm Transfer to the restaurant for dinner

7:00 pm      Dinner at **El Forcat** restaurant  
Address: Roterros,12 46003 Valencia  
Phone: +34—963911213  
<http://elforcat.com/>  
Menu:  
2 starters to share: Shaved ham and cheese and spicy potatoes ("bravas")  
Main course: Iberian pork sirloin in pepper sauce served with vegetables  
Dessert: Melba ice cream sundae (3 flavours, profiterole, hot chocolate, cream)  
Tap water

8:00 pm      Transfer back to the hotel

Overnight

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**Day 5 Wednesday April 4, 2018**

**VALENCIA [B, D]**

8:00 am      Breakfast is served in the hotel

*Dress in your concert attire before leaving for sightseeing*

9:00 am      Meet your tour manager and the local guide at the hotel lobby  
Enjoy a half-day city tour of Valencia  
*(Headsets are included for monument visits)*

10:00 am      Entrance – Valencia Cathedral  
  
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Address: PLAZA DE LA REINA 46003 VALENCIA  
Phone: +34--963918127

11:30 am      Entrance - La Lonja  
Phone: +34--963525478

12:30 pm      Visit ends

Lunch on own and enjoy the afternoon at your own leisure before performing a concert in the evening

3:00 – 5:00 pm      Rehearsal at Iglesia San Juan Del Hospital

Dinner at a restaurant close to the venue

5:30 pm      Dinner at Reme Restaurant  
Calle En Sala n 3 bajo  
Valencia 46002  
Phone: + 34 675 581706  
<https://remorestaurante.webnode.es/el-restaurante/>  
Menu:

Appetizer: Iberian ham croquettes  
Starter: Salad with goat cheese and strawberry vinaigrette

	Main course: Paella from Valencia Dessert: chocolate cake Tap water included
7:00 pm	Walk to the concert venue <i>Mass is from 7 to 8 pm. Performers will have to be mindful about mass being celebrated and be quiet as much as possible</i>
8:00 pm	Evening concert at <b>Iglesia San Juan del Hospital</b> Address: C/ Trinquete de Caballeros, 5 Phone: +34—963922965  Changing rooms: yes, 1 big Toilets: yes, 2 Director's music stand: yes Orchestra chairs: yes Microphone: yes  Perform an evening concert
10:00 pm	Transfer back to the hotel with your local coach  Overnight in Valencia at NH Las Artes

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**Day 6 Thursday April 5, 2018**
**VALENCIA – TOLEDO - MADRID [B, D]**

	Breakfast is served at your hotel
8:30 am	Meet your tour manager and coach at hotel for transfer to Madrid  Depart to Madrid with a stop in Toledo  Valencia – Toledo (230 miles)
1:00 pm	Arrive in Toledo Free time for lunch on own
2:30 pm	After lunch, meet your local guide at the cathedral and enjoy a guided visit to Toledo Cathedral and Santo Tome <i>(Headsets are included)</i>
4:00 pm	Entrance to Santo Tome Address: Calle Santo Tome s/n, 45000 TOLEDO
5:30 pm	Sing the Mass in Toledo Cathedral Address: C/ Cardenal Cisneros, 1 45002 TOLEDO, Apartado 295
6:30 pm	Depart from Toledo to Madrid (45 min – 1 h)

7:30 pm

Check into your hotel

**Rafael Hoteles Atocha**

Méndez Alvaro, 30 | 28045 Madrid

Tel.: + 34 914 688 100

<http://www.rafaelhoteles.com/alojamiento-4-5-estrellas-en/atocha-centro-madrid-cerca-de-estacion-renfe/>

Dinner at the hotel restaurant

Menu: Chef's choice

Overnight in Madrid

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**Day 7, Friday April 6, 2018**

**MADRID [B, D]**

Breakfast is served at your hotel

(Dress in your concert attire before leaving for sightseeing)

9:00 am

Meet your local guides at the hotel and enjoy a guided morning tour of Madrid including Prado Museum

*(Headsets are included for the visits)*

**Guide 1: Jose Ignacio Salmeron**

**Guide 2: Luis David Zapata**

10:30 am

Visit Prado Museum

Address: Paseo del Prado s/n. 28014 Madrid, Ruiz de Alarcón, 23. 28014 Madrid

Phone: +34--913302800

1:00 pm

Visit ends

Free time for lunch on own

2:30 pm

Enjoy the afternoon at your own leisure until your rehearsal

4:00-5:15 pm

Rehearsal at the concert venue. Instruments will be delivered to the church

5:30 pm

Dinner at Petit Comite restaurant

Calle Reina, 15, 28004 Madrid, Spain

Phone: +34 910 70 93 03

<https://restaurante-petitcomite.com/>

Menu:

Starters to share: homemade croquettes from Petite Comite: Of Boletus Edulis of monkfish and shrimps and of blue cheese with walnuts

- Tomato onion and tuna salad with green olive emulsion  
- Spanish jumbled eggs with Iberico de Bellota ham  
Main course: Entrecote with potatoes and peppers new bridge Padron  
Dessert to share: home cakes  
2 drinks included

7:15 pm Return to the venue and prepare for the concert

8:00 pm Evening concert at – **Iglesia de las Calatravas**  
Address: Calle Alcala 25  
Phone: +34--915 218 035

Changing rooms: yes, 2  
Toilets: yes, 2  
Director's music stand: yes  
Orchestra chairs: yes  
Microphone: yes

10:00 pm Transfer back to the hotel by a local coach  
  
Overnight in Madrid

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**Day 8, Saturday April 7, 2018**

**MADRID – DEPARTURE [B]**

Breakfast is served at your hotel

8:00 am Transfer to the international airport in Madrid

11:10 am Depart to Atlanta with American Airlines 37 flight

2:55 pm Arrive in Dallas International airport

4:44 pm Board your domestic American Airlines flight 2408 to Atlanta

7:55 pm Arrive in Atlanta

**END OF OUR SERVICES**





## TRAVEL TIPS

### Passport Information

We recommend that you make photocopies of your travel documents and pertinent identification including airline tickets, passport identification page, itinerary, driver's license and credit cards. Leave one set of copies at home and keep another with you.

**For Children under the age of 16:** Parent(s) or guardian(s) of applicants under age 16 sign the application and passport as follows: "Jane Applicant by Jill Applicant (mother)" The minor's name may be printed or signed (cursive), but it does not need to be both. The parent's name must be their legal signature (not printed).

For further information, please refer to the website: [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) or call (877) 487-2778, for TDD/TTY users (888) 874-7793. Hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ET (excluding federal holidays).

### Baggage Allowance

In order to allow sufficient space aboard the motor coach, each group member is limited **to one suitcase**. Weight restrictions vary according to airline. Because of the constant change in airline industry checked bag standards, you will be provided an airline link on your departure letter.

Generally, each passenger is allowed **one carry-on** piece of luggage (not including purses and cameras). Weight restrictions for carry-on baggage vary according to airline.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Perform International, LLC does not include baggage fees in the cost of our tours. Most airlines are now changing their policies toward baggage handling and fees on a regular basis. Please refer to the airline's website for current baggage fee assessments.

### Hotel

Hotel amenities (internet, laundry service, work-out facilities, beauty salons, hair dryers, etc.) are usually outlined on the websites given on your flight/hotel list approximately 30 days before departure. The hotel concierge can help you locate alternative facilities should they not be available in your hotel.



## Electricity

While most of North and South America (including the U.S.), the Caribbean, and Japan use 110 voltage electricity, most European countries and China use 220 voltage. We recommend that you buy an adapter plug and if necessary a voltage converter prior to departure from the US. They are available at most travel and luggage stores or at many department and electronics stores.

## Currency Exchange

International travelers can choose from several different currency options:

1. Credit Cards and ATM Cards: One advantage of credit card purchases is that they are exchanged at the interbank rate, which is usually more favorable. It is best to use credit cards for large purchases. With credit cards and ATM cards, keep the following in mind:
  - a. If your ATM card is linked to Cirrus or Plus systems, you can use it to obtain cash while traveling. Your bank should be able to give you all necessary requirements and a listing of all ATMs available on your network.
  - b. Notify your bank that you will be using your card out of the country; ask that they document it in the system or your account may be placed on hold or blocked for security purposes.
  - c. IMPORTANT: most countries around the world only except credit and debit cards that contain an electronic chip. If you current card does not contain a chip please requested a replacement card with an electronic chip prior to your departure from the U.S.
2. The advantage of using traveler's checks is that they are replaceable if lost or stolen. However, many stores will not accept traveler's checks as payment and thus you are required to exchange the traveler's checks into cash at a local bank which can be cumbersome due to varying opening times and service fees charged by many banks.

## Motor Coach Service

Motor Coach drivers are governed by strict regulations which may affect your tour. A driver is allowed to drive a maximum of 9 hours a day and must have a minimum of 9 hours of rest between driving days. Thus, if your tour has a late night arrival, the next day's departure may be delayed to accommodate these rules. Each coach is equipped with an electronic system (similar to a black box in an aircraft) which records the amount of time each coach is in use; this information can be demanded by the police and border officials at any time. The driver and coach company are subject to severe fines if the driver does not comply with the law. Because the driver is also required to drive only according to the final itinerary, the coach will not be used for taxi-service during independent time.

## Tipping

Your tour price includes all tips, taxes, and service charges for the hotels and restaurants listed in your itinerary. It also includes tips for your tour manager, driver, guides, etc.

When paying for meals on your own, travelers should determine if the tip has already been included on the bill. If not, 10% - 15% is a reasonable amount for the tip depending on the quality of the service.



## Frequently Asked Questions

### Prior to Departure

Q: If I need one, who is responsible to obtain my visa?

A: You are responsible for obtaining the proper travel documents for the destinations on your itinerary, including to have a passport valid for at least 6 months from the date of departure and a visa if required. IMPORTANT: Passengers who are not U.S. citizens must check with the respective consulate or a visa agency to determine what personal identification is required. Passengers who enter, leave and then re-enter the same country on their itinerary should check if they require a double-entry visa. Passport applications are available at most U.S. Post Offices, as well as at regional Passport Agencies.

### At the Airport

Q: Can I reserve a seat assignment?

A: Airlines offer reserved seat selection on most flights prior to departure. Boarding pass issuance is restricted to the day of flight. Whenever airlines permit, Perform International secures seat assignments in advance based on the best available seats at the time of request.

Q: Once confirmed, are airlines seats always guaranteed?

A: In most cases, seat assignments are firm. However, airlines may sometimes reassign seats for operational reasons. This often happens at the last moment, is controlled by airline staff, and Perform International is not notified. Passengers are encouraged to reconfirm their seat assignments and any other special requests directly with their airline prior to departure from the US.

Q: Am I guaranteed to earn miles on airfares purchased through Perform International?

A: Passengers are responsible to contact their airline directly regarding mileage eligibility and accrual. Airline frequent flier programs determine whether to award miles in part or total based on their own rules which are updated frequently. Some discounted or promotional airfares are not eligible for mileage accrual. Perform International will record frequent flier numbers when provided by the passenger prior to travel documents being issued. However, the addition of frequent flier numbers to airline records does not guarantee mileage eligibility which is at the sole discretion of each airline.

Q: What if our flight has been delayed for more than an hour?

A: Always keep Perform International, LLC informed about delays so your Tour Manager at the arrival city can be notified.

Q: What if our flight has been cancelled?

A: Work with the airline to rebook your group. Inform Perform International, LLC. Don't leave the airport until you have been rebooked on the next available flight.

Q: What if we missed our flight?

A: Work with the airline to rebook then contact Perform International, LLC. Don't leave the airport until you have been rebooked on the next available flight.



Q: What if a suitcase is lost or damaged?

A: Inform the airline immediately and fill out the necessary claim form. If the affected group member has purchased Travel Insurance notify the insurance and file a claim.

### **On Tour**

Q: What if one of the group members becomes ill or injured?

A: Inform your Tour Manager who will help you find a physician or proper emergency care.

Q: What if luggage is lost or damaged while not in the custody of the airline?

A: Inform your Tour Manager who will assist you in contacting the local authorities. Fill out a police report detailing all items missing. Passengers with Travel Insurance may file a claim upon returning home.

Q: What if a passenger loses his or her passport?

A: Inform your Tour Manager. If not with the Tour Manager, please contact the local U.S. embassy or U.S. consulate.



## WHAT TO PACK

Pack light! You'll be toting your own luggage around at airports and hotels, so bring only what you need — ideally in one small suitcase and one additional carry-on bag.

### How to Dress

Plan to dress comfortably during your trip (jeans, shorts, slacks, comfortable walking shoes, etc.). Depending on the time of the year and your destination, it makes sense to bring informal outfits that match the type of weather you will experience. Check [www.accuweather.com](http://www.accuweather.com) to find out average temperature highs and lows of the destination you are traveling to, as well as to set up weather advisories that can be sent directly to your email or as an app on your cell phone. Always be prepared for weather extremes, such as rain or wind with cooler than expected temperatures. Students, your teacher/sponsor may require you to adhere to your school dress code as well. Lastly, if your group is going to the theater or planning a fine dining experience, include one dressy outfit.

### Clothing and Accessories

Limit your shoes. Have 1 or 2 pairs of comfortable walking shoes that can be worn with multiple outfits. (Make sure you break them in before your tour).

Plan what you will wear ahead of time and pack jeans, slacks and tops/shirts that can be worn several times without washing. Don't worry about repeating outfits...everyone will all be doing it! Shirts (short and long sleeved)

Socks and underwear

Watch

Pants/shorts/jeans

Pajamas

Bathing suit (if applicable)

Dressier outfit (reserved for a special night out)

Raincoat and/or umbrella

Lightweight nylon jacket or fleece (rather than bulky sweatshirts)

**Toiletries**

Shampoo/conditioner/hairspray/lotions (in travel size-size bottles or purchase travel-size products)

Toothbrush

Toothpaste

Soap

Deodorant

Hairbrush/comb

Sunscreen

Hand sanitizer

Any medications (in addition to a copy of any prescription)

Spare set of contact lenses/glasses (if applicable)

**Music Students**

Instrument

Extra supplies (reeds, valve oil, mallets, etc.)

Music stand

Folder and music

Costume and accessories (ties, shoes, stole/robe, dark socks, etc.)

**Money**

ATM card (Call your bank prior to departure to alert them of the trip; foreign purchases sometimes result in a hold on bank accounts.)

Personal credit card

At least \$50 converted to the currency of the first country that you're visiting

Pouch for storing money and passport under clothing

Electronics

An alarm clock (Many hotel rooms won't have one.)

An adaptor/converter <https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com/us/spain/>

Camera with extra batteries or charger

## **Documents**

Passport—required on all Perform International Tours (Remember to leave one copy of it at home and bring a couple more copies on tour, in case your passport gets lost.)

Visas (if applicable)

A copy of the tour itinerary

A list of important phone numbers

Copy of any prescriptions (Customs officials may want to verify that a container's contents match its label, so all medication should be carried in its original container.)

## **Carry-on bag**

Here's a short list of things travelers might need on the first day of the trip. These should be packed in your carry-on in case your checked luggage is delayed:

Passport

Money

Airline boarding pass

Toothbrush and toothpaste (Check [tsa.gov](https://www.tsa.gov) for current security requirements.)

Hairbrush

Contact lens case/glasses (to sleep comfortably on the plane)

A change of clothes (in case luggage is delayed)

Medication

Any valuables

Same goes for the final day of the trip. You will not be able to access your luggage until you arrive at your destination. Again, pack your valuables, change of clothes, medicine, etc. in your carry-on bag