



# Holiday Music Tours 2008 – 2009



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*In the past 23 years Gullivers Sport and Music Travel have arranged more than 240 music tours and continue to develop successful touring opportunities for School and Community Music Groups to the UK, USA, Canada, South East Asia, China and New Zealand. Please contact us for sample itineraries and costings for all your touring requirements.*

> FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT KEN GROVER OR DR RONALD SMART.

*As Gullivers full-time Music Education Consultant, Dr Ronald Smart, former Principal of The Sydney Conservatorium of Music and regular guest conductor of choirs and orchestras throughout the world, draws on his wealth of international touring experience to plan and oversee the music tours organised by Gullivers Sport and Music Travel.*



# INTERNATIONAL MUSIC TOURS 2008 – 2009



Great Wall of China

## BEIJING INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL – EASTER 2009

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- Visit Beijing, the 2008 Olympic City
- Join the Festival which is open to Choirs, Orchestras, Bands and Jazz Ensembles
- Perform in excellent venues
- Participate in Festival Performances, Workshops and Masterclasses
- Work with Special International Guest Musicians and Conductors
- Enjoy sharing with young musicians from around the world
- Hear some outstanding young Chinese musicians in concert
- Experience an enhancement of the students' artistic interpretation, quality

and knowledge

- Visit some of the world's most impressive tourist locations including the Great Wall

At other times visit China and enjoy the following:

- Beijing, the host city of the 2008 Olympic Games- see the Great Wall, The Forbidden City, Ming Tombs, Temple of Heaven and other great sights.
- Shanghai, one of the worlds most spectacular cities. See the " Pedestrians Only" Nanjing Road, The Bund, Yu Garden, the new Pudong area, the Jade Buddha Temple and The Children's Palace
- Xian to see the famous Terracotta Warriors
- China presents amazing opportunities for educational, cultural, musical and social experiences for young musicians.

## JANUARY, APRIL, JUNE, JULY, OCTOBER - 2008 / 2009

Visit the USA West Coast and experience the following:

- Visit Los Angeles, San Diego, Phoenix, Grand Canyon and Las Vegas
- Workshops with noted professors from

some of the world's finest University Music Schools

- Disneyland for a concert and workshop
- Las Vegas to see one of the incredible shows and enjoy a music exchange with a local school
- Concerts in excellent venues in each of the cities

Ask about visits to other parts of the USA and Canada.

## JUNE – JULY THE VIENNA – SUMMA CUM LAUDE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL



Summa cum Laude International Youth Music Festival  
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- A great new festival and competition
- A competition judged by top international music professionals
- Special workshops and seminars
- Competition in the Musikverein
- Gala Concert in the Musikverein's famous "Goldener Saal"
- The opportunity to mix and perform with young musicians from around the world.



Walt Disney Concert Hall.  
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*John XXIII College has participated in three Music tours organised by Gullivers; UK and France 1997, Vienna International and Youth Festival and concert tour of Europe; 2003, and Llangollen Eisteddfod and UK tour 2007.*

*"In all these tours Gullivers have been thorough and communicative in their tour preparation. Concerts organised have always been in fabulous locations with responsive audiences and accommodation at convenient locations. This year we also had the bonus of an exceptionally fabulous coach driver. Working with Gullivers I have always felt confident that all details have been in place. Additionally, they are communicative and have friendly staff to liaise with."*

**Toni Strong,**  
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC, JOHN XXIII COLLEGE, PERTH



Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod for Choirs credit Lluniau Llwyfan. Photo by Lluniau Llwyfan

## TWO OF THE WORLD'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS CHOIR COMPETITIONS (Audition by CD is necessary)

July 2008 / 2010

**Bela Bartok International Choir Competition Hungary**

July 2008/2009

**Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod for Choirs**

Tours arranged to other cities appropriate to your interests:

Great Festivals in the U.K and other European cities throughout the year.

*"We have been delighted with the organisation of our four concert tours through Gullivers. In 11 weeks of touring we have never had a bus not turn up, or found that accommodation had not been booked, or had a tour guide that was not suited to the needs of the group. That is pretty rare! There are so many things that can go wrong, and with Gullivers they don't! Our concerts have been well organised and well attended. We are looking forward to the next trip!"*

**Kim Sutherland,**  
MUSIC DIRECTOR, HUNTER SINGERS, NEWCASTLE



Dr Ronald Smart

After hosting successful youth music festivals in Guangzhou (China), Hong Kong, Buenos Aires and Christchurch, The Gullivers Music team is delighted to host this exciting festival in its second year running in Beijing, April 2009. Dr Ronald Smart, Artistic Director of the Festival, has been Guest Conducting and Guest Lecturing in China for many years including presenting Master Classes at the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing. He will involve many of China's truly outstanding musicians in this festival. The festival will provide opportunities to experience the amazing culture of China through many of its musicians who will perform at the festival.

You will enjoy making music with exciting young musicians from many countries from around the world. All the ensembles will have masterclasses, seminars, workshops and performances with the visiting internationally renowned guest performers.

## INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL

IN BEIJING, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA  
APRIL 11- 14, 2009

### A FESTIVAL FOR

- BANDS
- ORCHESTRAS
- CHOIRS
- STAGE BANDS
- JAZZ ENSEMBLES

### ABOUT BEIJING

Beijing, the capital of the People's Republic of China, is the country's political, economic and cultural centre and the hub of international exchanges. Its rich heritage in culture and art has made Beijing a dream place for international touring and will provide the ideal setting for this new youth music festival.

As the host city for the 2008 Olympic Games, Beijing has added an enormous amount of interest to its already high profile as an international destination.

Beijing also provides an incredible array of sightseeing opportunities with its history of many hundreds of years. During the festival the participants will enjoy sightseeing opportunities to include the Great Wall, Tian'anmen Square, the Forbidden City (former Imperial Palace), Temple of Heaven, the Ming Tombs, the Summer Palace, the Hutongs and many others.



**Tour cost based on a minimum 40 students and four staff travelling together on the below itinerary.  
Ex Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane from AUD \$3650.00 per person**

**Tour cost based on a minimum 30 students and three staff travelling together on the below itinerary.  
Ex. Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane from AUD \$3740.00 per person**

# TOUR ITINERARY

**FRIDAY 10 APRIL AUSTRALIA / BEIJING**  
Depart Australian Capital Cities  
Arrive in Beijing and check in to Hotel accommodation

**SATURDAY 11 APRIL BEIJING MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
DAY 1: Festival Opening / Welcome Lunch  
Performances, Workshops and Masterclasses  
Evening- Festival Opening Concert featuring invited Chinese Performers

**SUNDAY 12 APRIL BEIJING MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
DAY 2: Morning sightseeing  
Afternoon Festival Performances, workshops, seminars and masterclasses  
Evening: Festival Concert with invited Guest Performers

**MONDAY 13 APRIL BEIJING MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
DAY 3: Morning Festival Performances and Masterclasses  
Afternoon sightseeing Visit the Temple of Heaven

**TUESDAY 14 APRIL BEIJING MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
Evening Festival Concert and Prize Giving Ceremony

**WEDNESDAY 15 APRIL BEIJING**  
A full day of sightseeing to include a visit to the Great Wall and the Ming Tombs.

**THURSDAY 16 APRIL BEIJING / SHANGHAI**  
Fly to Shanghai  
Check in to hotel accommodation

**FRIDAY 17 APRIL SHANGHAI**  
A music exchange and performance in a local school and visit the Shanghai Conservatory of Music.  
Visit a local market for an interesting shopping experience.

**SATURDAY 18 APRIL SHANGHAI**  
A full day of sightseeing to include The Bund, Yu Yuan Garden, Nanjing Road and Pudong, Shanghai's commercial and financial hub.  
In the evening enjoy a special Shanghai Dinner.

**SUNDAY 19 APRIL SHANGHAI**  
Final day of the tour.  
The morning is available for some last minute shopping or sightseeing.  
In the afternoon depart for Australia.

**MONDAY 20 APRIL AUSTRALIA**  
Arrive Australian Capital City



## TOUR COST INCLUDES:

- Return economy airfares from Sydney / Brisbane / Melbourne to Beijing
- One way economy flight from Beijing to Shanghai flying Air China
- Meet and greet at Beijing / Shanghai International Airports and transfer to your accommodation
- 6 nights accommodation Beijing- 4 star hotel
- 3 nights accommodation Shanghai- 4 star hotel
- Daily breakfast / 5 lunches / 7 dinners (including Peking Duck Dinner)
- Daily return transfers to the Conservatory of Music Beijing.
- Full day sightseeing in Beijing Music Festival to include performances and masterclasses with International Artists.
- Half day sightseeing tour of the Summer Palace and Temple of Heaven
- Full day sightseeing tour of the Great Wall of China and Ming Tombs
- Full day sightseeing tour of Shanghai
- Evening sightseeing tour of Shanghai Markets

## TOUR COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Departure taxes
- Meals other than stated
- Items of personal nature ( e.g laundry , phone calls, room service, etc)
- Passport and visa costs- please note that all Australian passport holders will require a Chinese visa. If you are travelling on a non Australian passport please check if you require a re-entry visa
- Travel Insurance- HIGHLY RECOMMENDED – Available from Gullivers Sport and Music Travel

*All land costs shown are subject to alteration ( up or down) due to currency fluctuations and increases in land air costs which arise between now and the date of departure. Costs will also depend on availability of hotels quoted on. These costs are subject to the group travelling together throughout the tour. Any variation will incur an amendment fee and may jeopardize the costs for the rest of the group.*

## FESTIVAL PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS:

- Times:** Orchestra – 35 minutes Band – 35 minutes  
Choir – 25 minutes Jazz – 25 minutes
- Music:** Your own choice however each group must include an original composition from the group's country of origin.
- Awards:** Each participant ensemble will be given a gold, silver or bronze award by the jury according to international festival standards.
- Deadline:** 31 October 2008
- Deposit of \$500 per person to ensure your place in the Beijing Music Festival

\*Conditions apply - Cost based on triple share for students / twin share for teachers

**REFER TO NEW BROCHURE**

For booking conditions please contact our office.



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