



***Havana International Jazz Festival Tour
December 13-21, 2015***

Deadline to register: October 12, 2015

The Havana International Jazz Festival tour is a music filled “people to people” journey designed especially for jazz lovers! Experience the deep roots of Afro-Cuban jazz first hand and discover the art, music and culture of Cuba on an unforgettable adventure with PlazaCUBA!

Daily activities and excursions are designed to introduce you to Cubans from all walks of life with a focus on the cultural arts. Visit the famous Egrem recording studio, Bellas Artes Museum, Cuba’s leading national school of music, and community art and mural project that’s changing lives in a Havana neighborhood. You will also get to know Havana through a City Tour, a walking tour of Old Havana, and perhaps venturing to an organic farm exemplifying Cuba’s growing and vibrant self-sufficiency.

Our tour takes place during the Havana Jazz Festival - an international event and annual showcase for the innovative sounds of Cuban music. Attend the Gala Opening and Closing Ceremonies and other Latin, salsa and jazz concerts with a full access pass. Meet the performers, learn about their lives and share stories about American jazz and culture.

Our team of English-speaking Cuban hosts and PlazaCUBA representatives is made up of seasoned professionals who will coordinate events and provide assistance every step of the way. We’ll offer you lots of tips and insider information from our many years of experience in Cuba, making your trip an authentic, once in a lifetime journey.

Your accommodations will be at the historic Hotel Nacional – a World Heritage site located on the Malecón in the Vedado neighborhood of Havana. It stands on a hill a few meters from the sea and offers a view of Havana Harbor, the seawall, and the city. The hotel has a gorgeous pool, restaurant, and business center with internet access. The hotel has newly remodeled rooms and suites on their executive floor, which feature more amenities, including separate breakfast buffet and internet café exclusively for guests of the executive floor. Contact us for more information about upgrading to the executive floor.

***Package Price Double: \$3,045 (per person) / Single supplement: \$400 (per person)**

Includes:

- Authorization to travel to Cuba provided by PlazaCUBA
- Airport transfer to / from the hotel in Havana on December 13 and December 21
- Eight nights in a standard room at the Hotel Nacional with breakfast daily
- Two lunches and two dinners at local restaurants or paladars (in-home restaurants)
- All access pass for entry to Havana Jazz Festival performances and special events
- Guided activities and excursions focused on interaction with Cuban visual artists, musicians and dancers
- Ground transportation to all group activities
- An expert staff of Cuban coordinators and a PlazaCUBA representative on every trip

***Airfare not included**

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ARRANGING YOUR TRAVEL

PlazaCUBA is a licensed organization and we are authorized to arrange travel to Cuba for all Americans. We offer our programs under an educational people to people license, ensuring that everyone travels legally with us.

We recommend that you travel directly from Miami to Cuba, which is legal with our travel authorization. We also recommend that you register and make your arrangements early. December is a popular vacation time creating issues with availability and higher costs associated with traveling.

We offer travel assistance, but you will be responsible for booking your Cuba flights. Once you register with us at PlazaCUBA, we will connect you to our travel agent to secure your seat on the Miami to Cuba flight. This group flight will arrive to Havana on December 13th and depart back to Miami on December 21st. We recommend that you register with us and book your flights early because December is a busy travel time.

You can usually arrange your entire trip through one of the agencies booking your Cuba charter, but it is generally less expensive to book the domestic flight on a travel website like Orbitz, and book only the Cuba portion through the listed agencies. There are generally only a few flights per day to Havana. For this reason, it is best to FIRST book your Cuba flights, then book the remainder of your trip. Be sure to allow plenty of time between your domestic and Cuba flights. Depending on your Havana flight schedule, we recommend overnights in Miami to allow the necessary window of time.

Plan to arrive in Cuba on Sunday, December 13th and depart on Monday, December 21st. There will be no activities or concerts on those travel days.

Please note: You will only be covered under PlazaCUBA's license for the exact dates of the program.

REGISTRATION and PAYMENTS

To register, fill out these attached forms and send it to us with your \$500 non-refundable deposit or full payment. Your registration will be processed when we have received the following:

- (1) Completed Registration Form
- (2) Signed License Requirements, Limits of Liability, and Cancellation Policy
- (3) Payment of \$500 deposit or payment in full. (Make checks to PlazaCultura. Do Not write "Cuba" on your check)
- (4) A copy of your passport (1st page only).
- (5) A copy of your Cuba flight itinerary (after you book your Cuba flight with our travel agent). It works well if you send the final email of flight confirmation from the travel agent.

The final registration deadline is October 12, 2015.

By this date, we must have all of the above paperwork and payments.

To pay by check, make your check out to **Plaza Cultura**. Mail your check to:

PlazaCultura

P.O. Box 3083

Berkeley, CA 94703

Phone: 510-872-9505

Email: plazacuba@yahoo.com

We are in the process of getting set up to accept credit card payments on-line. We will inform you when that becomes an option.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Circle your rooming preference:

Standard Double Occupancy: \$3,045 (per person) OR Standard Single: \$3,445

If you would like to upgrade to an Executive room or suite, please contact us for details.

Full legal name (as it appears on your passport): _____

Full Mailing Address: _____

Street City State Zip

Home Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email: _____ Date of birth: _____

Country of Birth: _____ Occupation: _____

Passport # and Citizenship: _____ Passport Expiration Date: _____

Do you have special dietary needs or health problems that require special assistance? Yes No

If yes, please describe: _____

If you have requested double room, who will be your preferred roommate? _____

What city will you be departing from to fly to Cuba? (Miami, Mexico City, Nassau) _____

How did you hear about our programs? _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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LICENSE REQUIREMENTS and LIMITS of LIABILITY

PLAZACUBA LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

PlazaCUBA's people-to-people license requires that all participants adhere to a full-time schedule of educational exchange activities that will result in meaningful interactions between the traveler and individuals in Cuba. PlazaCUBA is responsible for ensuring that all travelers comply with the people-to-people license requirements.

By taking part in this people-to-people program to Cuba with PlazaCUBA I agree to participate in all the activities unless sick or otherwise unable.

Signed _____ Date _____

LIMITS OF LIABILITY

I, _____, understand that I am responsible for making, obtaining, and securing all travel arrangements to and from the destination. Furthermore, I understand that PlazaCuba acts only as an agent for the passenger in regard to ground transportation and/or all other related travel services as stated in the program description and itinerary, and thus, assumes no liability for injury, delay, irregularity, loss or damage to person or property or additional costs resulting directly or indirectly from: acts of nature, detention, weather, failure of any means of transportation to comply with schedules, quarantines, strikes, civil disturbances, theft, government regulations related to customs, immigration, violations of law, or trade embargoes, discrepancies, and/or change in transit or living accommodations over which it has no control, whether it arises out of or is incident to the program or otherwise. I understand that reasonable changes in schedule or prices may be made at any time when deemed advisable for the comfort and well being of the participants. I understand that PlazaCuba cannot accept responsibility for the property or personal illnesses of or injuries to any individuals. I understand the rules of legal travel to Cuba as described in Travel restriction guidelines of the Department of the Treasury. I understand that PlazaCuba only provides guidance in coordinating an individual professional research or other type of project. I understand that PlazaCuba reserves the right to refuse to accept or retain me as a participant.

CANCELLATION POLICY

I understand that my deposit is not refundable and that for cancellations made thirty-one (31) or more days prior to date of departure, total payments made minus the non-refundable \$500 deposit will be refunded. I understand that for cancellations between thirty (30) and fifteen (15) days prior to the date of departure, up to \$1,000 of the total payments made may be retained by PlazaCuba. Furthermore, I understand that for cancellations fourteen (14) days or less before the date of departure, that up to 100% of the program fee may be retained by PlazaCuba.

I understand and agree to the terms as stated above in regard to my participation.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print name: _____