

Ballard High School Wind Ensemble
New York International Music Festival Itinerary * April 7 – 12, 2017

As of March 29, 2017

Friday, April 7, 2017

- 7:00 p.m. Arrive at SeaTac Airport – Alaska Airlines Check-In Desk* / Connect with your Chaperone!
****Please utilize one carry-on bag and one personal item (purse/backpack) to avoid extra baggage fees. Remember to bring picture / student ID and that carry-on liquids must adhere to TSA policy.***
- 9:35 p.m. Alaska Airlines Flight #18 Departure to John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK)
****This is a red eye flight and students are encouraged to sleep in preparation of a long, busy Saturday.***

Saturday, April 8, 2017

- 6:00 a.m. Arrive at JFK International Airport
Time to freshen up and eat breakfast at the airport (on your own)
- 7:00 a.m. Assemble in Baggage Claim / Meet World Projects Host / Load Buses for trip into NYC
- 9:00 a.m. Arrive at Park Central Hotel – Drop off bags with concierge - 870 – 7th Avenue, NYC * (212) 247-8000
- 9:30 a.m. Time to explore Times Square and eat lunch / snack (on your own)
- 11:30 a.m. Meet at Park Central Hotel Lobby / Take the 53rd St and 7th Ave (by Lindy's Cheesecake) B train Uptown to 81st Street station. Exit via the SW exit. (212) 769-5100
- 12:00 p.m. Time to explore American Museum of Natural History
Admittance includes Museum, Special Exhibits, Planetarium Show (1:30) and IMAX Show (2:30)
***Everyone needs to attend the 2:30pm IMAX Show**
- 4:00 p.m. Take the 81st St. B train downtown to 53rd St. and 7th Ave Station / Free Time at hotel to relax until Group Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Meet in Lobby / Subway Ride to Little Italy (Same station by Lindy's. Grand Street exit) Walk to Mulberry Street and take a Right.
- 7:30 p.m. Group Dinner at La Mela Ristorante (provided) - 167 Mulberry Street, NYC * (212) 431-9493
- 9:15 p.m. Subway Ride Back to Hotel (Grand St. Station to 53/7th Ave. Station)
- 10:00 p.m. Room Checks
- 10:30 p.m. Lights Out

Sunday, April 9, 2017 – WEAR BAND SHIRTS FOR WORKSHOP!

- 6:15 a.m. Wake-Up Call
- 6:45 a.m. "Grab and Go" Breakfast at Hotel (provided)
- 7:10 a.m. Meet in Hotel Ballroom
- 7:30 a.m. Music Festival Workshop – Dr. Lawrence Sutherland, Professor Emeritus, Fresno State University

- 8:30 a.m. Workshop Concludes / Put Instruments Away / Change Out of Band Shirts/ Relax
- 9:30 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby / Subway Ride to Greenwich Village (57 and 7th Ave. Station. Take the R or W train to 8th Street Station)
- 10:30 a.m. Explore Greenwich Village / NYU / Shops / Lunch (on your own)
- 12:30 p.m. Meet in Washington Square Park by the Arch
- 12:45 p.m. Subway Ride back to Park Central Hotel (W. 8th Street. SE entrance by the Gap. R or W train to 57/7th Ave Station)
- 1:15 p.m. Return to Hotel to Change for Broadway Musical and Group Dinner. (Wear Nice Clothes)
- 2:00 p.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby to walk to Broadway Show
- 3:00 p.m. Broadway Matinee of Aladdin - *New Amsterdam Theater* * 214 West 42nd St.
- 6:30 p.m. Group Dinner at Ellen's Stardust Diner - 1650 Broadway * (212) 956-5151
- 8:00 p.m. Walk to 30 Rockefeller Center - Enter on W. 50th Street, between 5th and 6th Avenues * (212) 698-2000
- 8:50 p.m. Visit "Top of the Rock" Observation Deck
- 10:00 p.m. Meet at Rockefeller Plaza's above the Gold Statue by the Lego Store (between W. 49th and W. 50th Street)
Walk back to Hotel
- 10:45 p.m. Room Checks
- 11:00 p.m. Lights Out

Monday, April 10, 2017 – WEAR FESTIVAL SHIRTS FOR OUTDOOR PERFORMANCE AT CENTRAL PARK BANDSHELL

- 8:00 a.m. Wake-Up Call
- 8:30 a.m. "Grab and Go" Breakfast at Hotel (provided)
- 9:00 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby / Walking Tour of 5th Avenue or Madison Avenue (exact route TBD)
- 11:00 a.m. Return to Hotel and Change into Festival T-Shirts for Central Park Performance
- 11:30 a.m. Assemble in Hotel Lobby / Load Buses for Central Park / Drop off at corner of 5th & 72nd / Walk to Bandshell
- 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Performance at Central Park Bandshell (approximately 20 minutes)
- 1:00 p.m. Load Buses / Return to Hotel to Store Instruments / Free Time / Lunch (on your own)
- 4:30 p.m. Return to Hotel / Change into Nice Outfit for the Evening's Excursion
- 5:30 p.m. Assemble in Hotel Ballroom / Load Buses for Dinner and Dance Cruise departing from Chelsea Pier
***53 People Load Bus #8 and 26 People on Bus #9**
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner and Dance aboard Spirit Cruises (provided)
- 10:00 p.m. Load Buses for Return to Hotel
- 10:30 p.m. Room Checks
- 11:00 p.m. Lights Out

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 – CARNEGIE HALL CONCERT DAY! WEAR CONCERT ATTIRE

- 8:00 a.m. Wake-Up Call
- 8:30 a.m. “Grab and Go” Breakfast at Hotel (provided)
- 9:00 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby in Concert Attire / Walk to Carnegie Hall for sound check
- 10:00 a.m. Sound check / Store Instruments in designated warm-up room / Group Photo on Carnegie Stage
- 10:30 a.m. Snack or Lunch (on your own) / Time to Relax
- 12:15 p.m. Students assemble at the Carnegie Hall Main Entrance on 57th Street
- 12:30 p.m. Students seated for Adjudicated Concert / Doors open to General Public for Concert
- 1:00 p.m. Carnegie Hall Concert – Ballard Wind Ensemble Performance
- 3:45 p.m. Afternoon Concert Concludes / Return to Warm-up room to collect instruments / Walk back to Hotel / Change Into Nice Clothes for Dinner and Evening Concert
****Time to visit with BHS Families and Friends in Hotel Lobby***
- 5:00 p.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby / Walk to Group Dinner
- 5:30 p.m. Group Dinner at Angelo’s Coal Oven Pizzeria - 117 W. 57th Street * (212) 333-4333
- 7:15 p.m. Meet Carnegie Hall Main Entrance on 57th Street
- 7:30 p.m. Doors Open for Evening Showcase Concert
- 8:00 p.m. Evening Showcase Concert and Awards Ceremony
- 10:00 p.m. Return to Hotel
- 10:30 p.m. Room Checks
- 11:00 p.m. Lights Out

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

- 7:30 a.m. Wake-Up Call
- 8:00 a.m. Pack Bags / Check Out of Hotel Rooms / Leave Luggage and Instruments with Concierge
- 8:30 a.m. “Grab and Go” Breakfast (provided)
- 9:00 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby / Walk to Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts
- 10:00 a.m. Tour of Lincoln Center
- 11:30 a.m. Find Lunch and Explore the Columbus Circle area (on your own)
- 1:30 p.m. Return to Hotel / Collect Bags and Instruments from Concierge
- 2:00 p.m. Load Buses from Hotel to Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR)
- 3:00 p.m. Arrive Newark Liberty Airport for Flight Check-In / Security / Dinner or Snack (on your own)
- 5:25 p.m. Alaska Air Flight #11 Departure – Arrive SeaTac at 8:35 p.m.

Meals Provided

4 Breakfasts

0 Lunches

4 Dinners

Meals Not Provided*

1 Breakfast

5 Lunches

1 Dinner

**There are many inexpensive food options in New York City, especially if students visit food carts, cafes and grocery stores. A conservative guideline for food costs is \$10 for breakfast, \$10-15 for lunch, and \$10-15 for dinner/snack at the airport.*