

BARD MUSIC FESTIVAL PUCCINI AND HIS WORLD WEEKEND TWO - AUGUST 12-14, 2016

The mission of THE BARD MUSIC FESTIVAL is "to promote new ways of understanding the history of music to a contemporary audience." This summer, the festival will focus on the world of GIACOMO PUCCINI (1858-1924). We will be attending WEEKEND TWO: "BEYOND VERISMO". Six concerts, each preceded by a pre-concert talk, and one panel discussion will take place in the Frank Gehry-designed RICHARD B. FISHER CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS or OLIN HALL, another building on the campus of BARD COLLEGE. You can find complete information about the BARD MUSIC FESTIVAL and a description of the weekend's programming at http://fishercenter.bard.edu/bmf/. PLEASE NOTE WE ARE ALSO OFFERING AN EXCURSION TO WEEKEND ONE, AUGUST 5-7, 2016.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12- Travel from Philadelphia to the HUDSON RIVER VALLEY. Enjoy a box lunch before arriving at BARD COLLEGE for an early afternoon tour of the RICHARD B FISHER CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS and the HESSEL MUSEUM OF ART at the distinguished Center for Curatorial Studies at Bard. Check into the COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT in Kingston. Dinner is included at MERCATO before returning to the Bard Campus for our first pre-concert talk and concert (FUTURISM, MODERNISM AND THE AVANT-GARDE).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 – Return to BARD COLLEGE this morning for a panel discussion (ARTISTS, INTELLECTUALS AND MUSSOLINI). Two concerts are scheduled for today at 1 PM (REDISCOVERING THE PAST) and again at 8 PM (MUSIC AND FASCISM IN ITALY). Food service between concerts is available at the SPIEGELTENT on the campus of Bard as well as in OLIN HALL.

<u>SUNDAY, AUGUST 14</u> – Three concert/discussions are on our agenda today at 10 AM (ITALIAN CHORAL MUSIC SINCE PALESTRINA), 1 PM (AFTER PUCCINI) and 4 PM (THE TURANDOT PROJECT). We depart Bard College after the final concert for our return trip to Philadelphia.

PLEASE NOTE: Six concerts/lectures and one panel discussion are included in the cost. We realize that some of you might want to relax at the hotel (there is a fitness center and indoor pool) or enjoy some time in the charming town of **RHINEBECK** nearby. We will be most happy to deduct the cost of tickets for programs you do not wish to attend. We ask that you request these changes as soon as possible.

COST: \$1495 per person, double occupancy. The single supplement is \$255. The cost includes all transportation by deluxe motor coach, two nights at the COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT in Kingston, NY, tickets to all concerts (6) and pre-concert events and one panel discussion, tour of the Fisher Center, guided tour at the Hessel Museum, one lunch, one dinner, and taxes on all included items. SPACE IS LIMITED to 18 participants. Please complete the coupon below and mail it with a deposit of \$450 to Excursions from the Square, P.O. Box 2189, Philadelphia, PA 19103. We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express for an additional charge of 5%. FINAL PAYMENT is due no later than Friday, June 3, 2016 Full refund may be made up to June 3 less an administrative fee of \$450. Thereafter, the cost of the trip is non-refundable unless a replacement is found. Trip cancellation insurance is available. The trip will be escorted by a representative from EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE. A \$75 DISCOUNT IS AVAILABLE IF YOU BOOK BY MARCH 15.

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