



CANADIAN THEATRE FESTIVALS

AUGUST 22 - 29, 2019

Once again, we are offering an Excursion to **ONTARIO, CANADA**, and its spectacular summer theatre festivals. With the plays of **WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE** as its foundation, the **STRATFORD FESTIVAL** aims to set the standard for classical and contemporary theatre in North America. The **SHAW FESTIVAL** in **NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE** began in 1962 as a venue for plays by **GEORGE BERNARD SHAW** and his contemporaries and has expanded to include plays written during Shaw's lifetime (1856-1950). We have included six plays as well as optional selections at both festivals. You can check each festival's website listed below to determine if you would like to make changes or additions according to your interests. There will be time to enjoy the galleries, gardens, boutiques and restaurants that enhance these two charming towns. We will enjoy the splendid **NEW YORK** countryside with stops in **ELMIRA, ROCHESTER** and **BUFFALO** and an overnight stay in **NIAGARA FALLS**.

STRATFORD FESTIVAL

www.stratfordfestival.ca

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22 - Depart the Philadelphia area and enjoy a box lunch en-route to **ELMIRA, NY**. Here we will enjoy a trolley tour of this historic town. A visit to the **EASTMAN HOUSE MUSEUM** in **ROCHESTER, NY** before we cross the Canadian border and arrive in **NIAGARA FALLS** for overnight and an included dinner overlooking the falls. (L, D)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 – There will be a brief stop at **NIAGARA FALLS** this morning before departure for **STRATFORD** and check in at the **ARDEN PARK HOTEL**. Lunch is on your own at the hotel before a

2 PM optional performance of **THE FRONT PAGE** by **BEN HECHT & CHARLES MACARTHUR**

Dinner is included this evening at the hotel before a

8 PM optional evening performance of **PRIVATE LIVES** by **NOEL COWARD**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24 – Enjoy an historic tour of **STRATFORD** this morning before a

2 PM included performance of **BILLY ELLIOTT** with book and lyrics by **LEE HALL** and music by **ELTON JOHN**

Optional plans will be made for dinner this evening before an

8 PM included performance of **HENRY VIII** by **WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25 – The morning is free.

2 PM included performance of **THE CRUCIBLE** by **ARTHUR MILLER**

Optional plans will be made for dinner this evening.

SHAW FESTIVAL

www.shawfest.com

MONDAY, AUGUST 26 - Morning departure from **STRATFORD** this morning for **NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE** and check-in to the beautiful **QUEEN'S LANDING HOTEL**. There are no performances at the **SHAW FESTIVAL** today so you will have ample opportunity to relax at the hotel or begin your exploration of this lovely town overflowing with flowers, boutiques, galleries and restaurants. An optional dinner is planned this evening at an area winery.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27 – An optional tour of the **FESTIVAL THEATER** is available this morning.

2 PM included performance of the musical **BRIGADOON** by **ALAN JAY LERNER & FREDERICK LOEWE**

Dinner is included at the hotel this evening before an

8 PM included performance of **THE GLASS MENAGERIE** by **TENNESSEE WILLIAMS**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28 – The morning is free before a

11.30 AM optional lunchtime performance of **THE RUSSIAN PLAY** by **HANNAH MOSCOVITCH**

2 PM optional performance of **THE LADYKILLERS** by **GRAHAM LINEHAN**

8 PM included performance of **GETTING MARRIED** by **GEORGE BERNARD SHAW**

Optional plans will be made for dinner this evening.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29 – Depart **NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE** and travel south to **BUFFALO** for a visit to the wonderful **ALLBRIGHT-KNOX GALLERY**, with its extraordinary collection of contemporary art. Lunch is on your own on their café. We will make a rest stop on our way back to the **PHILADELPHIA** area.

TOUR COST: \$3480 per person double occupancy. The single supplement is **\$725**. We will make every effort to find you a roommate if interested. **INCLUDED FEATURES:** Seven nights' accommodations including tax and portage; three breakfasts (in Stratford), one lunch, four dinners; transportation throughout by deluxe motor coach from the Philadelphia area; museum admission costs; six theatre tickets. The trip will be escorted by a representative from **EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE**. **SAVE \$200 IF YOU RESERVE BY MAY 15, 2019. PAST TRAVELERS ON EXTENDED TRIPS IN 2017 AND 2018 WILL RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL DISCOUNT OF \$100. A VALID PASSPORT IS REQUIRE FOR TRAVEL TO AND FROM CANADA.**

SPACE IS LIMITED to 28 participants. Please complete the coupon below and mail it with a deposit of **\$650** to **EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE**, P.O. Box 2189, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Final payment is due no later than Friday, May 31, 2019. We accept **VISA, MASTERCARD** and **AMERICAN EXPRESS** for an additional fee. Full refund may be made up to May 31 less an administrative fee of **\$650**. Thereafter, the cost of the trip is non-refundable unless a replacement is found. Trip cancellation insurance is available from **EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE**. Costs are based upon a minimum of fifteen participants.

For more information call Excursions from the Square at 215/732-8487 * ellenkay@prodigy.net* www.squaretrips.com

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