

CRYSTAL BRIDGES & KANSAS CITY OCTOBER 22-26, 2015

The new **CRYSTAL BRIDGES MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART** will once again be the centerpiece of our autumn tour. It was spectacularly crafted by Canadian architect **MOSHE SAFDIE** out of steel, wood, glass, concrete and copper in a gorgeous setting of interconnected ravines and hills in **BENTONVILLE**, **ARKANSAS**. We will also visit **KANSAS CITY** to see the newly expanded **NELSON ATKINS MUSEUM**, the **TRUMAN PRESIDENTIAL MUSEUM** & **LIBRARY** in nearby **INDEPENDENCE** and more!

<u>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22</u> – Plan to arrive in KANSAS CITY by early afternoon. We will travel south by deluxe motor-coach to BENTONVILLE. A stop will be made at the home and memorial to the 20th century artist THOMAS HART BENTON. Check into conveniently located SIMMONS SUITES. Dinner is included at the CRYSTAL BRIDGES MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23 – Our morning tour of the BENTONVILLE area will include the MILDRED B. COOPER MEMORIAL CHAPEL, by E. FAY JONES, a student of FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT. Then spend the rest of the day enjoying the beautiful landscapes, inspiring architecture of MOSHE SAFDIE and the collections of painting, photographs, sculpture, and more at the CRYSTAL BRIDGES MUSEUM. It consists of several pavilions nestled around two creek-filled ponds with a sculpture garden, hiking trails and 200,000 feet of gallery space. A special exhibit: ALFRED MAURER: ART ON THE EDGE will be on view.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24 – Depart BENTONVILLE for EUREKA SPRINGS, for a tram ride through its charming Victorian streets and a tour of the splendid THORNCROWN CHAPEL, another masterpiece by E. FAY JONES. Then return to KANSAS CITY with a stop at the KEMPER MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART before checking in at the HOTEL SORELLA located in the charming COUNTRY CLUB PLAZA area. EVENING OPTION: Performance of the KANSAS CITY SYMPHONY at the splendid KAUFFMAN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, another building by MOSHE SAFDIE.

<u>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25</u> – A morning tour of KANSAS CITY will focus on the city's variety of architectural styles from Beaux Arts to Postmodern. In the afternoon we will visit two extraordinary museums: THE NATIONAL WORLD WAR I MUSEUM and MEMORIAL and the NELSON ATKINS MUSEUM with its fine collections from every continent. Dinner is included this evening.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26 – This morning we will visit the HARRY S. TRUMAN MUSEUM & LIBRARY located in nearby INDEPENDENCE. Free time for lunch on your own before returning to the airport for your return flight to your home city...

THE COST OF LAND ARRANGEMENTS is \$1695 per person, double occupancy. The single supplement is \$330. We will make every effort to find you a roommate if you are interested. INCLUDED IN THE LAND PACKAGE: Four nights' accommodations as described in the itinerary, all transportation and sightseeing by private motor coach; guides and entrance fees; two dinners; one lunch; buffet breakfast daily; all taxes and gratuities on included items. <u>AIRFARE</u> is additional. The trip will be escorted by a representative from EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE. Airport transfers are included if you are travelling with the group. <u>SPACE IS LIMITED TO 26 PARTICIPANTS</u>. Complete the coupon below and mail it with a deposit of \$450 per person to EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE, PO Box 2189, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Final payment is due no later than Thursday, August 20, 2015. We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express for a small additional fee. Full refund for land arrangements may be made up to August 20 less an administrative fee of \$450. Thereafter, the cost of land arrangements is non-refundable. Airline cancellations are subject to penalties imposed by the airline on which you are travelling. Trip cancellation insurance is available from EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE. SAVE \$75 IF YOU RESERVE BY JULY 15.

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