

American Celebration of Music in

# Vancouver

*An exclusive concert series for performance ensembles*



Music Celebrations International  
*Concert Tours With Integrity*





# An Exclusive Concert Series

**W**hy Vancouver? No matter what time of the year you visit, there are indoor and outdoor activities to please adults, families, couples and friends to no end. Majestic mountains, a sparkling ocean, rainforests and beautiful foliage during all four seasons make Vancouver one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Canada is known for its people's friendly nature, and Vancouver's citizens take great pride in this tradition.

Vancouver has a long history of supporting all areas of the arts. Unofficially known as "Hollywood North," the city is often a top choice for numerous films and television shows. The stunning setting of the city influence its interest in the arts - music, movies, theatre, and dance are prevalent in Vancouver. The city has a rich assortment of musical groups and venues.

The American Celebration of Music is a special annual performance-tour program, co-sponsored by local governments, music associations, community organizations, and tourist boards around the globe. In many countries this has developed into a prestigious, recognized, year-long concert-series festival. Recognition of this festival facilitates greater access to performance venues, official publicity, generally very successful concert arrangements, and the ability to touch local cultures in a way that may not be done through other affiliations. This equates to more meaningful musical and emotional experiences for participating performance ensembles.

Your concert tour will truly be enriched with the surroundings of history, architecture, and beauty that is best experienced "first hand." Participation in the American Celebration of Music in Canada can make this happen for you and your touring ensemble!



Capilano Suspension Bridge



# Sample Itinerary

## DAY ONE

Arrive in Vancouver

Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will be with and assist the group for the remainder of the tour

Start with a City Tour of Vancouver, highlights including Stanley Park, Chinatown, historic Robson Street, Queen Elizabeth Park, English Bay, Granville Island, etc.

Check into your hotel

Dinner included at the hotel or nearby

Evening walking tour of Gastown

*Alternative evening options; Symphony tickets, IMAX or OmniMax at Canada Place, Theatre Show (tickets/entrance fees optional and not included. Options are subject to availability and schedules)*

## DAY TWO

Breakfast at the hotel

Start your day at Capilano Suspension Bridge, where you can walk the world's greatest suspension foot bridge

Experience both a guided park tour and a guided nature tour. The nature tour provides guests with a highly interactive introduction to the ecology of the West Coast Rainforest. Learn about the flora and fauna found in this ecosystem, as well the climatic characteristics that make the West Coast a unique environment

Lunch can be here on your own

Admission here includes the suspension bridge, Treetops Adventure and Cliffhanger!

Next, it on to Grouse Mountain with the exciting Skyride – North America's largest aerial tramway system, 3700 feet above sea level. Admission also includes Theatre in the Sky, Grouse Mountain's high-definition cinema experience, "Born to Fly" takes you up close on a dramatic journey through the scenic beauty of BC.

Take part in a guided Interpretive Walk (starts in May) and learn about local flora and fauna, the history of Grouse Mountain and the local geology of the North Shore mountains.

*Performance or clinic as part of the American Celebration of Music in Canada*

Dinner included along trendy Robson St or along the waterfront

Afterwards, stroll the shops along Robson Street

Return to hotel for overnight

## DAY THREE

Breakfast at the hotel

Meet your coach and depart for ferry terminal to Vancouver Island

Coach and passengers will depart on ferry to Vancouver Island to the city of Victoria. Crossing time is 1 hour, 35 minutes

Next leave Victoria, taking the scenic hour-long drive along gorgeous coastline and farmland to The Butchart Gardens

Continue sightseeing on your return back to Victoria and view Craigdarroch Castle, Christ Church Cathedral, the Fairmont Empress Hotel, the Parliament Buildings and more in the Inner Harbor

In Victoria, tour the Royal BC Museum. Your self-directed visit may begin at the spectacular river delta and seashore exhibits, complete with live marine animals in a tidal pool. Then on to the wonderful Pacific Rainforest

diorama. The third floor offers a ceremonial Big House, see carved poles from various First Nations and an impressive collection of masks and carvings. Stroll along the cobbled streets of Old Town then finish with the 20th Century gallery, presenting the great story of BC in modern times with interactive news stations and exhibits of recent treasures (Optional IMAX show at an additional cost)

Lunch here on your own

*Performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Canada*

Check into your hotel

Dinner included tonight nearby

Afterwards, wander down the narrowest street in North America in the continent's oldest Chinatown and walk the Inner Harbor area and waterfront

## DAY FOUR

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to the harbor for a ferry back to Vancouver

Afternoon departure for home



Grouse Mountain



Queen Elizabeth Park





*The support and guidance of the MCI team was outstanding in every way. We traveled with 90 students and chaperones and everyone felt special and attended to. They made us feel like we were their only clients and that certainly makes me want to continue to use them for all of my International tours in the future!*

**Marena Boosamra Ball, Director of Choral Activities**  
**Rincon University High School**  
**Tucson, Arizona**

## Standard Performance Tours in Vancouver

**Tour 1            3 Nights / 4 Days**  
3 nights in Vancouver

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**Tour 2            4 Nights / 5 Days**  
3 nights in Vancouver, 1 night in Victoria

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**Tour 3            5 Nights / 6 Days**  
1 night in Seattle, 2 nights in Victoria, 3 nights in Vancouver

*These and all other Standard Tours may be viewed on our website at [www.musiccelebrations.com](http://www.musiccelebrations.com).  
Fully-customized tours may also be created to meet your specific needs and interests.*



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