Italy
A HARMONY OF THE ARTS

October 6 - 15, 2016
Hosted by Dr. Linda J. Snyder
University of Dayton Professor of Music
Italy is renowned for its magnificent contributions to the visual and performing arts! Come and see these influences as you visit Venice’s world-famous opera house, see a performance at the annual Verdi Festival of Parma, understand the origins of the Stradivarius violins and see an abundance of art, architecture, cities and museums. Along the way you’ll visit Florence and other beautiful Northern Italian cities that have made everlasting impressions on the culture, music, food and history of the world. A tour highlight is attendance at two operas—the ultimate collaboration of the arts. On these days, your University of Dayton host, Dr. Linda Snyder will give informative preview lectures before the performances. Don’t hesitate to join Linda on an exploration through one of Europe’s most beloved countries.

**ITINERARY**

**OCTOBER 2016**

**6, THURSDAY**

**Depart US**

Travelers are free to make their own travel arrangements. No group flights have been arranged by Witte Travel & Tours.

**7, FRIDAY**

**Arrive Venice**

The tour will start after hotel check-in and there will be a warm welcome dinner for the group. Greet one another and relax after the long day of travel. (D)

**YOUR HOST**

Linda J. Snyder, retired University of Dayton Professor of Voice and Opera, is Director of the Dayton Celebration Chorus, member of the Opera Guild of Dayton and the National Opera Association, and President-Elect of the National Association of Teachers of Singing. As a singer, conductor, and accompanist in the Dayton area, she has also performed professionally throughout the U.S. and in Europe in opera, musical theatre, church music and recital. A native of Dayton and a long-time travel enthusiast, Dr. Snyder studied and performed in Italy and has co-hosted 12 adult European travel programs, including the 2011 “Italy: A Harmony of the Arts” program.
8, SATURDAY
Venice
After breakfast, a GUIDED WALKING TOUR OF VENICE will introduce you to the city and will include views of the Campanile, the Doges’ Palace and a visit to ST. MARK’S BASILICA. The tour concludes at the Rialto Bridge with views of the Grand Canal. From here, the afternoon is free to visit the many shops, open-air markets, souvenir shops and many restaurants. (B)

9, SUNDAY
Venice
This morning have a PRIVATE GUIDED TOUR OF LA FENICE OPERA HOUSE, provided it is open for tours on performance days. Then take a break for lunch, before attending the afternoon showing of L’ELISIR D’AMORE at the La Fenice Opera House. (B)

10, MONDAY
Parma
Board a motorcoach after breakfast for the drive to Parma. Along the way, enjoy the beautiful countryside as you travel between Italian provinces. Once in Parma, get out and stretch your legs with a GUIDED WALKING TOUR. See the Piazza Garibaldi, the Duomo and Baptistery and more. Afterward, there is a group dinner. (B, D)

11, TUESDAY
Cremona, Parma
First on the agenda is a visit to Cremona, once the home of Giuseppe Guarneri and Antonio Stradivari. You visit the MUSEUM OF THE VIOLIN, which contains the former STRADIVARI MUSEUM. You will also see the Torrazo Tower and the city cathedral. After time for lunch, head back to Parma where the afternoon is free. Tonight, participate in the 2016 Verdi festival by attending the opera DON CARLO. (B)

OPERA PERFORMANCES
Act fast, because seats are on reserve for your attendance at two operas; these seats are limited and will only be held until April 15.

October 9 – L’elisir d’amore (The Elixer of Love), a comic opera by Gaetano Donizetti at La Fenice Opera. Seats at La Fenice are in Stalls A.

October 11 – Don Carlo by Giuseppe Verdi at Teatro Regio di Parma. Seats at Teatro Regio di Parma are in orchestra seats.
12, WEDNESDAY  
Busseto, Florence

In Busseto visit THE BIRTHPLACE OF VERDI. See the cottage where he was born in 1813. From there, visit the MUSEUM BAREZZI. This is the house of Verdi’s first concert and the museum collection contains many artifacts, memorabilia and recordings related to this famous composer. Then continue to FLORENCE, where you check into your hotel for a two-night stay and partake in a group dinner. (B, D)

13, THURSDAY  
Florence

This morning take a walking tour of the city. You’ll visit the DUOMO, one of the largest churches in the world. Across the street you’ll see the Baptistery with its Gates of Paradise doors. After an independent lunch, you visit the GALLERIA DELL’ACCADENIA, where Michelangelo’s famous sculpture of David is housed. Then you visit the GALLERIA DEGLI UFFIZI to see works from Giotto, Cimabue, Botticelli, Raphael, Michelangelo, da Vinci and many others. After the tour concludes, the rest of the day will be at your leisure. Consider attending a Tuscan winetasting or an evening church concert. (B)

14, FRIDAY  
Florence, Rome

On the schedule today is a free morning in Florence. Consider a visit to the Pitti Palace and the Palatine Gallery, with its wonderful collection of paintings. Behind the palace are the terraced Boboli Gardens. After lunch you meet at the hotel for the drive to Rome. Once in Rome, you have a festive farewell dinner and reminisce about the week’s events. (B, D)

15, SATURDAY  
Return

The group is on their own this morning to meet their respective flights, and/or continue on their alternate travel arrangements.

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Clockwise from top left: Giuseppe Verdi Place in Bussepto, Duomo in Florence, Gallaria Degli Uffizi in Florence.

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TOUR COST

$3354 per person land only from Venice, Italy double occupancy

Single supplement | $725.

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TOUR PACE

EASY

VIGOROUS
### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The cost of your tour includes:

- **Land transportation.** A deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach is used for transfers, excursions, and travel between cities. Because motorcoach travel is restricted in many European cities, sightseeing is often done on foot or via public transportation.

- **Accommodations** based on two persons sharing a room with private facilities. Most hotels we use range from moderate-first class to standard first-class. When hotels in these categories are not available, top-quality superior tourist-class properties are selected. **The supplement for single accommodations is $725.** If you register alone but want a roommate, we will do our best to assign one. If a single room must be assigned to any member of the group for any reason, even if it is at the last minute or while on tour, we will need to charge the single supplement. Changes in rooming arrangements requested by the participant 45 or fewer days prior to departure may result in additional charges.

- **Meals.** Breakfast daily and dinners as indicated in the itinerary. Dinners do not include beverages.

- A multi-lingual tour manager to accompany the group from arrival in Venice until departure from Rome. The tour manager may be assisted by local guides as needed.

- **Sightseeing and admission fees** in accordance with the itinerary.

- **Luggage allowance.** You may take one suitcase with a maximum size of 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) and weight of 50 lbs. You may also carry a purse, a camera and one piece of hand luggage with a maximum size of 45 linear inches and weight of 15 lbs. These size and weight restrictions conform to most airlines’ requirements. Hand luggage does not fit in the overhead bins on the motorcoach. There may be room for it in the storage compartment under the coach or by an empty seat on board. If not, it will need to be placed on the floor in front of your feet. Portage of luggage is not provided. Participants will be responsible for carrying their own luggage throughout the tour. If you are physically unable to carry your luggage, ask your tour personnel to arrange for assistance.

- **Tipping and taxes** are included for all services, including the tip for the tour manager and motorcoach driver.

- **The tour cost does not include** air transportation, portage of luggage, optional travel protection plan including luggage and trip cancellation coverage, optional excursions, independent meals, and any other items not mentioned as included.

- **Optional travel protection.** Witte recommends that you purchase a travel protection plan. For your convenience, Witte Travel offers a travel protection plan designed by Travelex Insurance Services. This travel protection plan can be purchased at any time prior to making the final payment for your tour. The pre-existing medical conditions exclusion will be waived if you purchase the protection plan within 14 days of the initial trip deposit, provided you are medically fit to travel at the time of purchase. Tours over 30 days are not eligible for coverage. The plan cost for the travel protection plan that applies to your tour will be noted in your brochure and on the registration form. It may be necessary to increase the trip cost insured on the travel protection plan if you purchase additional services and/or upgrade any arrangements. This could increase the plan cost of the travel protection plan. The plan cost for this travel protection plan is non-refundable after a 10 day review period.

#### Schedule of Coverages

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#### Maximum Benefit Amount

Baggage & Personal Effects: $2,000
Baggage Delay: $250
Emergency Medical Expense: $50,000
Emergency Dental Expense: $750
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation: $250,000
24 Hour Accidental Death & Dismemberment: $25,000
Travel Assistance & Concierge Services*: Included

Prior to purchasing, you may request a copy of the Description of Coverage, which includes a summary of the plan details on benefits, coverages, limitations and exclusions of the protection plan. The Description of Coverage will be included in the confirmation packet of those travelers who purchase this travel protection. *Travel Assistance & Concierge Services are provided by the designated provider listed in the Description of Coverage. Maximum trip length allowed is 30 days. Rates are subject to change. Travel Insurance is underwritten by Transamerica Casualty Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio; NAIC#10952 1355603.

**Documentation:** U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport. If you already have a passport, check its expiration date now since the country visited on this tour requires passports to be valid for at least six months beyond the traveler’s intended return date. If your passport is due to expire earlier, you will need to obtain a new one. If you do not have a passport or need a new one, apply as soon as possible. If you plan to visit other countries on your own, contact Witte for any special requirements. All non-U.S. citizens should contact Witte for their special requirements. We will check the requirements for non-U.S. citizens at the time they register and again approximately 45 days prior to departure. Witte is not responsible for any changes in requirements for non-U.S. citizens that occur after our final check.

**Tour cost.** The tour cost is based on a group of 15 passengers, current tariffs for land arrangements and on an exchange rate of $1.12 to €1.00.

Note that land arrangements suppliers and governments may impose additional fees, fuel surcharges or taxes after the tour is advertised and participants are registered. Such changes may result in a tour cost increase. It may also be necessary to increase the tour cost due to exchange rate fluctuations or a smaller group size. Before passing on an increase, Witte will use its best efforts to minimize the amount. If it is necessary to increase the tour cost, participants will be advised at final billing and provided with a summary of the contributing factors.

**Reservations and payments.** To make reservations on this tour, complete the Registration Form and return it as indicated. Reservations cannot be accepted over the telephone. Payments are due as follows:

- Deposit of $750 per person with Registration Form by April 15. Reservations may be accepted after this date, provided space is still available.
- Payment of $1,000 per person by June 1
- Balance due on receipt of final invoice sent approximately 30 to 45 days prior to departure

If you are registering for the tour after one of the above payment dates, increase your deposit amount accordingly so your account will be up to date.

**Please note that checks returned due to insufficient funds are subject to a $30 service fee.**

**Credit card payments.** Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express credit cards are accepted for the deposit and scheduled payments. The deposit charge is processed shortly after receipt of your registration form. Subsequent payments are charged per the payment schedule.

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100616SNYD Harmony of the Arts Italy LO TERMS
Cancellations and refunds. Witte must receive notice of cancellation in writing. Penalties are per person and will be based on the date of receipt, as follows:

- More than 90 days before departure .................... $550
- Between 90 and 46 days before departure ............... $750
- Between 45 and 31 days before departure ............... $950
- 30 or fewer days before departure .................... No refund

The above penalties apply to the cost of the land arrangements. Any nonrefundable portion of special arrangements made on behalf of the canceling participant and the cost of travel protection will also be added to the above penalties. Cancellation insurance is available. Allow four to six weeks for processing of refunds. Note that payments made by check are refunded by check to the person or organization that made the payments, and payments charged to a credit card are credited back to the same credit card.

Membership. Witte reserves the right to accept or reject any person as a member of the tour and to expel from the tour any participant whose conduct or condition is incompatible with the interest of the group.

Special meal requests and food allergies. Note special meal requests and food allergies on your registration form. Witte cannot be responsible if special requests are not met but we will pass them on to the hotels and restaurants. If you have dietary restrictions or food allergies, be sure to carry your medications with you at all times. Also, discuss your special needs with your tour personnel and ask the wait staff about the foods you are served.

Mobility Concerns. Sightseeing on Witte tours almost always includes walking. Visits to historical places often mean climbing stairs and walking on uneven surfaces or cobblestones. Handicap accessibility is not always available. Witte tour personnel are not able to provide attendant services. Tour participants with special needs are not able to provide attendant services. Consult your physician if you have any concerns about your ability to participate.

Time away from the tour. Advise Witte in writing at least 45 days before departure if you plan to spend some time away from the tour. Wherever possible, you will be credited for missed hotel nights.

Final tour documents— including itinerary, hotel list, passenger list, and luggage tags—are sent about 10 days prior to departure.

Responsibility. As the tour operator, Witte Travel & Tours will be responsible for supplying the services and accommodations outlined in the brochure as constituting the tour, except to the extent that such services cannot be supplied, wholly or partially, owing to circumstances beyond its control. In such cases, Witte Travel & Tours will use its best efforts to supply alternative services and accommodations, and no refunds will be granted provided that the alternatives are comparable to the original services and accommodations included in the tour cost. Witte Travel & Tours includes the cost of travel protection.

California Passengers: Witte Travel & Tours is licensed under the California Seller of Travel Act—registration number 201-3304-40. Witte Travel & Tours is a member of the National Tour Association, the mark of excellence in the group tour industry.

Copyright policy. By signing the registration form for this tour, I give Witte permission to publish in print, electronic, or video format the likeness or image of me, any family members or legal wards, for any lawful purposes such as advertising Witte’s services. I release all claims against Witte Travel with respect to copyright ownership, privacy, and publicity rights including any claim for compensation related to use of the materials for commercial purposes, including any images submitted by me to Witte or their vendors related to this tour.
REGISTRATION FORM
ITALY: A HARMONY OF THE ARTS
October 6 - 15, 2016
$3354 per person land only
from Venice, Italy based on double occupancy

Registration and deposits are due by April 15
Register online at
www.regonline.com/100616SNYD

Or return this form to Witte Travel & Tours
3250 28th Street SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49512

PASSENGER #1 Print Clearly EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT

Last First Full Middle ☐ I do not have a middle name
☐ Male ☐ Female Birthdate mm___/ dd___/ yyyy___ Preferred first name_____________________

Citizenship: ☐ U.S. ☐ Other ____________________________________________

Home Phone __________ / ____________________________________________

Work Phone __________ / ____________________________________________

Cell Phone __________ / ____________________________________________

E-mail _____________________________________________________________

Dietary Needs:
☐ Vegan ☐ Low Sodium ☐ Gluten free
☐ Vegetarian ☐ Diabetic ☐ Other ________

Food allergies: _____________________________________________________

Mobility concerns: ____________________________________________________

Witte tour personnel are not able to provide attendant services. Tour participants with special needs are strongly encouraged to travel with someone who can assist them.

PASSENGER #2 Print Clearly EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT

Last First Full Middle ☐ I do not have a middle name
☐ Male ☐ Female Birthdate mm___/ dd___/ yyyy___ Preferred first name_____________________

Citizenship: ☐ U.S. ☐ Other _____________________________________________

Home Phone __________ / ____________________________________________

Work Phone __________ / ____________________________________________

Cell Phone __________ / ____________________________________________

E-mail _____________________________________________________________

Dietary Needs:
☐ Vegan ☐ Low Sodium ☐ Gluten free
☐ Vegetarian ☐ Diabetic ☐ Other ________

Food allergies: _____________________________________________________

Mobility concerns: ____________________________________________________

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MAILING ADDRESS NOTE: All mailings pertaining to this registration will be sent to the address below.

Street Address_________________________________________ PO Box _________

City ___________________________________ State _______ Zip _________

EMERGENCY CONTACT NOT TRAVELING WITH YOU

Phone (_____) __________________________

CONTINUED ON REVERSE
ROOMMATE/ACCOMMODATIONS

☐ I plan to have a roommate (name if not listed on Registration Form):

___________________________________________________________________________________________________
Roommate not yet known  ☐ I need assistance finding a roommate.

I understand that if a roommate is not available, I will be responsible for the cost of single occupancy.

☐ Instead of double occupancy, I prefer single occupancy (+ $725 per person)

OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION

Travel Protection Information:

• You can enroll in this plan when you register for the tour or at any time prior to making final payment on the tour.
• The policy exclusion for pre-existing conditions is waived if you enroll within 14 days of registering for the tour, provided you are not disabled from travel at the time you enroll.
• The travel protection premium is nonrefundable after the 10 day review period, provided you have not departed on your trip or filed a claim.
• For more information and an outline of the included benefits, see “Optional travel protection” in the Terms and Conditions of your tour brochure.

Witte Travel recommends that you purchase a travel protection plan to help protect you and your trip investment.

The per person premium for this travel protection is $222.30.*

☐ I/we wish to purchase the travel protection at this time. Full payment of the plan cost is included in my deposit check or Witte Travel is authorized to charge the full plan cost to my credit card.

☐ I/we wish to decline the travel protection at this time. I/we understand that travel protection can be purchased later, as long as it is done prior to making final payment on the tour.

*It may be necessary to increase the trip cost insured on the travel protection plan for participants who require single accommodations and for those who purchase additional services and/or upgrade their arrangements. This could increase the plan cost.

For a summary of plan details on benefits, coverages, limitations and exclusions, please refer to the Description of Coverage. Travel Insurance is underwritten by Transamerica Casualty Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio; NAIC #10952. 1355565

FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

Air transportation is not included in the cost of the tour. We encourage tour participants to arrive in Venice on October 7 after hotel check-in. This is approximately 3:00 p.m. The tour starts with a welcome dinner this evening. On October 15, we encourage participants to make return arrangements departing Rome after 10:30 a.m.

We encourage participants to book their air through Witte Travel.

☐ I would like Witte Travel to book my flight arrangements. Please contact me for information on costs on options for private transfers.

☐ I plan to make my own flight arrangements, nor do I need help with private transfers.

To request special land arrangements (car rentals, hotels, rail, etc.), include a note and we’ll contact you.

SIGNATURE

I/we have read, understand and accept the terms and conditions as outlined in the tour brochure. I/we acknowledge receipt of information about Witte’s Travel Protection Plan as well as the Price Increase Rules.

1. ___________________________________________________________ Date ___________________

2. ___________________________________________________________ Date ___________________

Important Note – Payment reminders will be emailed the Passenger #1 email if provided. Others will receive payment reminders by regular mail.

Enclose your deposit of $750 per person made payable to Witte Travel or complete the attached credit card payment form. If you are purchasing Optional Travel Protection add the full plan cost to your deposit.
Passports are required for all international travel. Your passport name must be an exact match to the name on your airline ticket. Incorrect information could result in airline penalties or denied boarding.

PASSPORT INFORMATION
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PASSenger #1
PASSPORT STATUS:
☐ Current
☐ I do not have a passport
☐ My passport has expired. I am in the process of renewing my passport.

LEGAL NAME ON PASSPORT: ________________________________________________
ISSUING AUTHORITY: _______________________________________________________
PASSPORT NUMBER _______________________________________________________
DATE OF ISSUANCE: (DD/Month/YYYY) ____________________ DATE OF EXPIRATION: (DD/Month/YYYY) ____________________
Example: 15 Apr 2015

PASSenger #2
PASSPORT STATUS:
☐ Current
☐ I do not have a passport
☐ My passport has expired. I am in the process of renewing my passport.

LEGAL NAME ON PASSPORT: ________________________________________________
ISSUING AUTHORITY: _______________________________________________________
PASSPORT NUMBER _______________________________________________________
DATE OF ISSUANCE: (DD/Month/YYYY) ____________________ DATE OF EXPIRATION: (DD/Month/YYYY) ____________________
Example: 15 Apr 2015
Example: 15 Apr 2015

PASSPORTS must be valid for at least six months beyond your intended return. See “Documentation” in the Terms and Conditions for more information.
Name of Passenger(s):

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

Type of card:  □ Visa    □ MasterCard    □ Discover    □ American Express

Credit card number ____________________________________________

Expiration date __________________________ Security code __________________________

Name as it appears on card ______________________________________

(Please Print)

Billing address of credit card (if other than on application):

Street Address __________________________________________________

City ______________________________ State ______ Zip _____________

Billing phone _________ / _______________________

☐ I hereby authorize Witte Travel & Tours to charge this credit card for the deposit and full travel protection premium (if selected), as well as for all further payments for the passenger names listed above.

Cardholder’s signature __________________________________________ Date __________________

NOTE: If a payment is due on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, it will be billed to your credit card on the next business day.

Reservation ID ________________________________________________

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Deposit of $750 per person with Registration by April 15
Payment of $1,000 per person by June 1
Balance due approximately 30 to 45 days prior to departure